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The Morning Star.

OUTLINES.

Admiral Dewey is still at Hong Kong; his health is improving; will visit Athens to pay his respects to King George, of Greece, on his return home. —— Memorial Day was observed in Northern cities with the usual elaborate ceremonies; the trend of the speeches generally was that the war with Spain had cemented the North and South in a bond of fraternal sympathy. —— A movement is on foot in Alabama for Gen. Joe Wheeler to enter the race for Governor of that State. —— Forty people injured in a railroad collision in Chicago; none of the injured is fatally hurt. —— The Weather Bureau's crop report shows that conditions are improving in the cotton belt except in the Carolinas, where the weather has been too cool. —— One case of yellow fever has appeared in New Orleans. —— John A. Benedict, of the Exchange Bank, of Athens, Ga., is missing since last Tuesday; foul play is feared. —— Rice planters on the Savannah river propose to construct a levee of twenty miles for protection of crops, to cost one million dollars. —— Texas has established quarantine against New Orleans. —— The wheat crop of Southern Russia has been destroyed by drought. —— Queen Victoria has consented to undergo an operation for cataract.

WEATHER REPORT.

U. S. DEP'T OF AGRICULTURE,
WEATHER BUREAU,
WILMINGTON, N. C., May 30.

Temperatures: 8 A. M., 74 degrees; 8 P. M., 73 degrees; maximum, 81 degrees; minimum, 70 degrees; mean, 76 degrees.

Rainfall for the day, .03; rainfall since 1st of the month up to date, 4.12.

Stage of water in the river at Fayetteville at 8 A. M., 4.2 feet.

FORECAST FOR TO-DAY.

WASHINGTON, May 30.—For North Carolina—Showers and probably thunder storms Wednesday; unsettled weather Thursday; brisk southerly winds.

Port Almanac---May 31.

Sun Rises	4.47 A. M.
Sun Sets	7.07 P. M.
Day's Length	14 H. 20 M.
High Water at Southport	1.02 P. M.
High Water, Wilmington	4.32 P. M.

China has a representative at The Hague peace conference. He is perfectly willing to disarm.

The St. Louis papers hope that one of the results of the visit of the Nashville to that town will be to make it a seaport.

The Prince of Wales is 58 years old. His mother has relieved him of the task of playing King, but he has managed to have lots of fun.

A jealous husband in New Jersey is suing for a divorce because his wife is more devoted to her bicycle than to him. Perhaps she can manage the bicycle easier.

Sheffield, England, is one of the towns that has cut her way to success. She is way up in the cutlery business. She makes 2,600,000 dozens of knives every year, or 50,000 dozens a week.

One of the greatest expansionists in Maryland is Harvey Reef, a Hagerstown youth, who is not quite eighteen years old yet, but weighs 421 pounds, and goes on expanding. He has acquired thirty pounds of flesh since Christmas.

Those Missouri and Kansas rival long hair toters must both surrender to Miss Mercedes Lopez, a Mexican, whose hair is nearly ten feet long, and grows so luxuriantly that she can harvest several crops a year. She sells it to people who hanker for hair.

Prof. Vichrow, of Germany, remarks that "nations are led astray by a deceptive idea of glory and honor," and very frequently, he might added, by the hankering to grab something to which they have no right save what the power to grab gives.

Nikola Tesla says he discovered that Marconi trick of sending wireless messages some time ago, but didn't consider it worth while to say anything about it. The trouble with Nik is that there are too many things he doesn't consider it worth while to fool with.

The Baltimore *American* rises to remark that "it is a curious fact that a negro has never been known to tame an elephant or any other wild animal." It has been known, however, that sometimes elephants tame negroes, when they get to fooling with their trunks.

The New York *World* wants to know how many American citizens will be satisfied to stay at home when they learn that Gotham is going to spend $5,000,000 in fire-crackers, bunting, &c., in the welcome to Dewey. Here's one who will. We don't like fire-crackers, anyhow.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

— Miss Annie K. Harper is visiting friends at Southport.

— Mr. J. C. Hughes, of Charleston, was a visitor in the city yesterday.

— Mr. T. W. Andrews, of Charlotte, was registered at The Orton yesterday.

— Mr. C. E. MacCarton, of the New York *World*, is registered at The Orton.

— Capt. "Wash." Lamb, of Goldsboro, arrived here yesterday on a short visit. He has "troops of friends" in Wilmington who are always glad to see him.

— Mr. R. B. West, now of Kinston, but formerly of the firm of O'Berry & West, of this city, and a popular member of the Second Regiment Band, is here visiting friends.

— Mr. W. M. Corbett, Jr., of Ivanhoe, was among the STAR's visitor's yesterday. He says shipments of huckleberries have been going forward from his section since May 15th.

— Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Fuller, of Hartford, Conn., are spending some time the guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Sneed, at their residence near Wilmington. They came up to the city last night and attended the Sedgeley Hall Club frolic on Carolina Beach.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Notice—Schedule B tax.
Seacoast Road—Schedule.
Jas. D. Nutt—The necessity.
King Grocery Co.—Baking-day.
Miss Mamie Alderman's Sunbeam Class—Annual appearance.

BUSINESS LOCALS.

J. T. Burke—To patrons.

LOCAL DOTS.

— In another column Mr. J. T. Burke announces a cash sale of watches, clocks and jewelry.

— Yesterday being a national holiday no quotations of the New York and Chicago markets were posted at the Produce Exchange.

—The Sabbath School of the Temple of Israel pic-niced at Hilton Park yesterday. The members of the school were given a trolly ride to and from Hilton and spent the day quite pleasantly.

— Mr. and Mrs. W. D. James, of Laurinburg, have issued cards of invitation to the marriage of their daughter, Miss Lula, to Mr. Leonard Ayrs Tatum formerly with the S. A. L. here but now with the Postal Telegraph Company at Burmingham. The event will be celebrated 8 P. M. June 7.

Funeral of Mrs. R. J. Jones.

The funeral of the late Mrs. Ann Eliza Jones, wife of Mr. R. J. Jones, was conducted yesterday afternoon at 6 o'clock from the family residence, 811 Market street. The services were conducted by Rev. A. P. Tyer, pastor of Grace M. E. church. The honorary pall bearers were Dr. W. J. Love and Messrs. E. S. Martin, N. Jacobi, Owen Fennell, R. M. McIntire and John R. Turrentine; active, Messrs. T. O. Bunting, L. W. McLaurin, L. B. Sasser, T. J. Gause, R. J. Lamb and Dr. R. J. Price.

After the services at the house the funeral procession moved to Oakdale cemetery. Here the remains were laid to rest under a mound strewn with beautiful floral offerings.

Justice McGowan's Court.

Matilda Moore, a colored woman, was tried before Justice McGowan yesterday for assault and battery with a deadly weapon—a plate—upon her husband Cornelius Moore. She was dismissed, as there was another warrant requiring her to appear before the proper authorities, to be examined for lunacy. She was declared insane. Her husband was tried before Justice McGowan for assault and battery and let off with the payment of costs. Fanny Baker, colored, submitted to the charge of assault and battery and was taxed with the costs.

A. and M. College Commencement.

The STAR has received an invitation to attend the Seventh annual commencement of the North Carolina College of agriculture and Mechanic Arts at Raleigh, in progress from June 4th to 7th. The baccalaureate sermon will be preached by Rev. A. J. McKelway and the annual oration will be delivered by Mr. H. L. Hartzog. The graduating class is composed of seventeen young men. The past year has been quite successful, in fact, one of the most successful in the history of this popular institution of learning.

Beans and Potatoes.

Truckers in the vicinity of Wilmington are getting ready for the shipment of beans. Mr. W. F. Alexander, of Middle Sound, was here yesterday and said he thought some would be shipped first of next week. About the same time shipments of Irish potatoes will begin to be made. Neither of these vegetables is very extensively grown around Wilmington, but if prices are good the returns will make up for the unsatisfactory results of strawberry growing this season.

On account of the meeting of the Grand Lodge I. O. of G. S. and D. of S., at Reidsville, N. C., June 14th and 15th, the Seaboard Air Line offers round trip tickets to Reidsville, N. C., at $8.65 for the round trip. Tickets on sale June 12th, 13th and 14th, with final limit for the return June 17th, 1899.

THE NORTH CAROLINA RESERVES RETURNED.

They Greatly Enjoyed Their Practice Cruise On the Prairie—The Reserves Arrived Yesterday Afternoon.

The United States cruiser *Prairie* arrived at Southport yesterday about noon from the practice cruise with the North Carolina Naval Reserves and yesterday afternoon the Reserves were taken on board the *Wilmington* and brought up to the city.

The boys seemed to have greatly enjoyed the cruise, having left Southport for the cruise on Tuesday morning of last week and spent the entire time on board ship. Members of the Kinston, Mt. Olive and Elizabeth City divisions will leave for their homes to-day.

In speaking of the voyage last night a well known naval reserve told a STAR reporter that the greatest drawback for the boys in the matter of enjoying the trip was eating the "government strait rations." The members of the Wilmington and Southport Divisions, who saw service on the *Nantucket* during the Spanish-American war, were somewhat better prepared for the change of diet than were the Kinston, Elizabeth City and other Reserves who had never seen service. The cruise extended no further north than Point Lookout, where two days were spent at sub calibre practice. They remained there until Friday, when they put to sea and had various kinds of ship practice and drills. Sunday was spent pretty much the same way and on Monday they came off Frying Pan shoals and spent almost the whole day fishing.

They lay off the bar Monday night, waiting until yesterday morning to cross over into the waters of the Cape Fear. The Reserves all speak in the highest terms of the officers in charge of the *Prairie*.

It is said that almost the whole crew of Reserves suffered from seasickness during the first two or three days of the cruise.

The cruiser will weigh anchor for Norfolk to morrow, where she will take another crew of Naval Reserves for a practice cruise.

CITY AND COUNTY.

Tax Levy Made by the Board of County Commissioners—Audit and Finance Board Postpone Action.

The Board of County Commissioners met yesterday morning at 10 o'clock, with the following present: Col. Roger Moore (chairman), Capt. John Barry, Messrs. W. F. Alexander, Gabriel Holmes and D. McEachern. The tax levy for schedule B and C tax as it appears in the Revenue and Machinery Act for 1899 was made. No other business of importance was transacted. The levy differs in several particulars from that of 1898. One of the most important is that taxes are levied on several occupations not taxed last year. Bicycle dealers will pay a tax of $10; cotton factors, $15; feather renovators, $5; ice manufacturers, $10; butchers, $7.50; laundrymen, $10; photographers, $5; real estate agents, $15; pawnbrokers, $50; slot machines, $100 (last year $20); coal and wood dealers, $20 (last year taxed according to amount of purchases); undertakers, $10 (taxed on purchases last year); horse dealers, $25; auctioneers, $15. The figures above are the county tax alone—the State tax is the same, and in the case of horse dealers there is no county tax.

Register of Deeds W. H. Biddle has an advertisement in the STAR this morning asking parties interested to take out State and county license on June 1st.

Audit and Finance.

The Board of Audit and Finance met at 8.15 P. M. in response to a call of the chairman to consider the tax ordinance as prepared by the Board of Aldermen. Those present were Chairman H. C. McQueen, W. A. Risch and C. W. Yates. Mr. S. P. McNair was out of the city, and Mr. Jesse Wilder, the other absent member, was sick. The consideration of the ordinance was deferred. An adjournment was taken, subject to the call of the chair.

REPAINTING AND RENOVATING

Large Force of Workmen Putting Seashore Hotel in Order for the 1899 Season.

A large force of painters is now engaged repainting the Seashore hotel on Wrightsville Beach and the building is to be thoroughly overhauled at once. This work will all be completed before June 10th, and the hotel, Manager R. E. Crawford says, will really be open for guests by June 1st.

Proprietor Campbell is expected here in about two weeks from Yonkers, N. Y. He will spend a good portion of his time here during the summer.

As previously announced, Mr. F. W. Green, late of the Central Hotel, Charlotte, will be chief clerk of the Seashore. Mr. William Woodward, of Chapel Hill, will be his assistant.

The steward will be Mr. W. H. Billings, now of Raleigh but for several years steward at The Orton, in this city. He is an experienced man and is well schooled in the art of conducting the culinary department of a seaside resort hotel.

The hotel bar will be presided over by Mr. C. H. Stonebanks, of Raleigh.

Mr. Crawford returned from a business trip to Raleigh yesterday and will remain here, giving his personal attention to the improvements and renovation for the hotel opening.

JIM-CROW CARS.

The Coast Line in Readiness for the Law—Its Superior Car Building Facilities.

The Atlantic Coast Line is quite ready for the "Jim Crow" car law which goes into effect to-morrow, June 1st. Master car builder J. H Davis has now in readiness twenty-seven cars which will meet all the requirements of the law. The work of dividing the cars began May 15. To get the cars ready by the required time has necessitated working all day and a part of the night. The cars will be used on trains 40, 41, 48, 49, 102, 103, 23, 78, branch trains, A. & Y. trains and the W. & N. A few of the divided cars are already in use on the W., C. & A. road in compliance with a South Carolina law of two or three years standing. Trains 32 and 75, being vestibuled trains, are exempt.

The dividing partitions are made, some of quarter sawed oak and some of white ash. In the first class cars the compartments for whites occupies two thirds of the space and that for colored people one-third, the reason for this being that not as many of the latter as of the former buy first-class tickets. The second class cars are divided into equal compartments. In addition to the dividing partition it has been necessary to double the equipment of water coolers, closets and other conveniences. The divided cars have been in use on some of the roads for some time, for as soon as one was completed it was put into use and another taken into the shops.

Increase of Facilities.

The ease with which the car building department of the Coast Line has met the recent emergency is only one of many circumstances which go to show the superior facilities for turning out cars. These facilities have been increased three-fold. New workmen are being brought in—as many as twenty in the last few weeks—and new tools and other equipment are being added.

Work has begun only recently on a quick order for 100 flat cars and 100 A. C. D. fruit cars. Passenger cars are built also, and at present a train of vestibuled cars on the Pullman pattern is being built for use on the branch between Denmark and Augusta.

IN EFFECT TO-MORROW.

The Reduction in Class Rates Putting Wilmington On An Equal Footing With Sister Cities.

To-morrow, June 1st, the new freight rates on the Atlantic Coast Line and the Southern Railway go into effect, and wholesale merchants naturally are expecting an improvement in business.

The cause of the reduction, as readers of the STAR are aware, was the petition brought before the North Carolina Corporation Commission by the Wilmington Tariff Association, asking for equal rates with Norfolk and Richmond on all points of the Southern Railway west, north and south of Greensboro. Without the intervention of the Corporation Commission, the Atlantic Coast Line and the Southern Railway gave the desired rates, the Southern's acquiescence being due to a considerable extent to the efforts of Mr. T. M. Emerson, Traffic Manager of the Atlantic Coast Line, in behalf of Wilmington.

By this reduction of rates Wilmington's territory is largely increased. Mr. James Kyle, General Manager of the Traffic Association, estimates on a rough calculation that the section of country in which Wilmington can now compete with Richmond and Norfolk in products common to all three cities is increased by fully a third. Among these products are fertilizers, salt, peanuts and probably coffee and sugar.

Wholesale merchants will be quick to take advantage of the improved outlook. Their travelling salesmen will soon be making visits to towns and cities in Western North Carolina, where previously representatives of concerns in other cities have had the whole field to themselves.

Will Run Two Hotels.

Mrs. Mayo will open the new Ocean View hotel on Wrightsville Beach June 5th. Messrs. Schloss & Nathan, by whom the hotel is being erected, expect the carpenters and painters to complete their work not later than Saturday of this week. Contracts have already been awarded for the furniture, so there will be no delay to speak of on that score. In the meantime Mrs. Mayo has already opened the old Ocean View Hotel, the one she has managed so satisfactorily during past seasons, it being her purpose to run both houses this season; one on a cheaper plan than the other.

Released on a Condition.

James Alston, the negro tramp locked up Monday for safe keeping, was before the mayor yesterday morning for vagrancy. On his promise to leave the city and not return he was released. He claims to be from South Carolina and owing to his suspicious conduct is believed to have committed some crime. He has been lying around in the woods where, he says, some of his clothes are now hidden.

Quarterly Conference.

Last Saturday at the Quarterly Conference of Scott's Hill circuit, M. E. Church, South, the following were elected delegates to the District Conference to be held at Southport: F. M. Foy, J. T. Kerr, D. J. Fergus and C. H. Casteen. Alternates: W. B. Canady and W. J. Mallard.

OPENING FROLIC BY SEDGELEY HALL CLUB.

The Club House On Carolina Beach Was Thronged With Delighted Guests. Many Visitors in Attendance.

The frolic by Sedgeley Hall Club at their club house on Carolina Beach yesterday and last night inaugurating the club festivities for the coming season was a big success. The club house was open to clubmen of Atlantic and Carolina clubs on Wrightsville Beach and to those of Hanover Seaside clubs on Carolina Beach and many of them shared the pleasure of last night's frolic. Then too there were quite a number of the members of the Kinston and Elizabeth City divisions of the Naval Reserves in attendance, having gone down from the city after the arrival of the *Prairie* from the practice cruise. The evening excursion boat, which left the Market street wharf at 7 o'clock, carried down quite a crowd of people from the city. The Baltimore Italian band was on board and discoursed music during the trip to the pier.

The dancing began very soon after the arrival of the excursionists at the club house and continued, with the exception of brief intervals, until 11 o'clock, when the train left for the pier. During the evening a variety of ice creams, cakes and other refreshments were served.

The officers and house committee of the club are to be congratulated upon the excellent success which attended the frolic. May it prove truly a harbinger of a thoroughly delightful and successful season!

RALEIGH'S NEWS BUDGET.

Decision in the School Board Directors' Case—Corporation Commission. The Penitentiary Board.

[*Special Star Correspondence.*]

RALEIGH, N. C., May 30.

Judge Timberlake decides the School Board Director case—old board against the new board—in favor of the old board. He declares the election of the new board unconstitutional, and enjoins it from having anything to do with school matters in the capacity of directors. The case was argued and decided in Sampson, but there are nine other counties interested. Having similar contests they came in and all the cases were decided together. The matter will be taken up for final determination by the Supreme Court at the Fall term, which begins in September. Until then, under Judge Timberlake's decision, the State Superintendent of Public Instruction will recognize the old board.

The Postal Telegraph Company this morning came in under the Craig bill and was "domesticated."

The members of the Corporation Commission have completed their tour of inspection of railroads and steamboats in the eastern part of the State.

The Penitentiary Board.

The members of the executive board of the penitentiary while here this week will direct the State Treasurer to issue and sell enough bonds to purchase the Caledonia State farms. The act of the Legislature authorizes the issue of $95,000 of bonds, but it is probable that only enough will be issued to buy the Caledonia farms—two in number. They are the richest of the farms worked by the State.

There are nine negro teachers and preachers candidates for the position of superintendent of the colored school here for the deaf, dumb and blind.

The finance committee of the Board of Agriculture met here to-day to complete its report for the board. This is the first peep a Democrat has had at the books since the Fusionists took charge two years ago. Some interesting revelations are expected.

BY RIVER AND RAIL.

Receipts of Naval Stores and Cotton Yesterday.

W. & W. Railroad—2 bales cotton, 6 barrels tar.

W., C. & A. Railroad—74 casks spirits turpentine, 140 barrels rosin, 43 barrels tar, 28 barrels crude turpentine.

A. & Y. Railroad—6 casks spirits turpentine, 40 barrels tar.

Steamer Croesus—12 barrels rosin, 10 barrels tar.

Steamer E. A. Hawes — 16 casks spirits turpentine, 82 barrels rosin, 10 barrels tar.

Steamer A. P. Hurt—18 casks spirits turpentine, 30 barrels rosin, 23 barrels tar, 7 barrels crude turpentine.

Total—cotton, 2 bales; spirits turpentine, 114 casks; rosin, 264 barrels; tar, 132 barrels; crude turpentine, 35 barrels.

To Benefit the Orphanage.

To-night in the assembly room of St. Thomas' Parochial School a charming little comedy, "Down You Go," will be rendered by the pupils as a closing festival for the school. The children have been carefully trained and an evening of real enjoyment is assured all who attend. The exercises will really be the school's closing festival. The proceeds from an admission fee of 15 and 25 cents will be donated to the orphanage at Belmont, N. C.

"Edith's Dream."

The STAR has previously referred in detail to the closing exercises of Miss Mamie Alderman's select school on the evening of June 2nd, when the operetta, "Edith's Dream," will be presented for the benefit of the Odd Fellows' Orphanage. Attention of STAR readers is directed to an announcement in another column. Very gratifying rehearsals of the play are being held and a successful entertainment is assured.

On account of moving to give up my store, I will sell the most of my entire stock at cost for the next thirty days. Now is the time to get a bargain in my line—Watches, Clocks and Jewelry. J. T. BURKE, No. 7 South Front street. †

DIED AT DUNN, N. C.

Mr. W. D. Smith, a Prominent Citizen of Cumberland County.

[*Star Correspondence.*]

DUNN, N. C., May 30.

Mr. W. D. Smith, a prominent and influential citizen of Cumberland county, died at his residence near this place this morning. He had been in failing health for some time, and his death, while a great shock to the community, was not unexpected. He had been for many years a ruling elder in the Presbyterian Church, and was a member of the State Board of Agriculture. Mr. Smith was in the 65th year of his age.

Death of Mrs Charles R. Thomas.

Rev. John Stanley Thomas received the sad tidings yesterday of the death of his sister-in-law, the wife of Hon. Charles R. Thomas, of Newbern, congressman elect of the Third District. The many friends of Mr. Thomas will sympathize with him sincerely in this affliction.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Annual Appearance.

Sunbeam Club of Miss Mamie Alderman's Select School will present at the Opera House, Friday night, June 2nd, the beautiful operetta, "Edith's Dream," for the benefit of the Odd Fellows' Orphan Home. Admission, 25 cents. No extra charge for reserve seats, which can be obtained on and after Wednesday morning at Gerken's. my 31 3t

NOTICE.
Under Schedule B

the following occupations are required to take out State and County License on the first day of June:

Theatres, Billiard Tables, Slot Machines, Mercantile Agencies, Druggists dealing in Spiritous Liquors, Piano and Organ Dealers, Pawn Brokers, Lawyers, Physicians, Dentists, Corporations, Auctioneers, Bicycle Dealers, Real Estate Agents, Butchers, Coal and Wood Dealers, Collecting Agents, Cotton Compresses, Cotton Factors, Hotels, Photographers, Ice Manufacturers, Laundrymen, Lumber Dealers, Undertakers, Horse Dealers.

my 31 1t — W. H. BIDDLE, Register of Deeds.

Carolina Beach and Southport Schedule.

ON AND AFTER JUNE 1ST, BOAT LEAVES

For Carolina Beach,

9.15 A. M., 3 P. M. Train leaves Beach, 1 P. M., 6 P. M.
Leaves Sunday, 10 A. M and 2.30 P. M. Leaves Beach, 12.30 and 6 P. M.

For Southport,

boat leaves 9.15 and 10.15 A. M., and 3 P. M. Leaves Southport, 6.30 A. M., 12 M., 2.30 P. M.
Freight for Southport received only on 9.15 boat.

my 30 tf — J. W. HARPER, Manager.

The Necessity For Medicines

furnishes its own reminder, but we would like to suggest in passing, that when any such unfortunate need occurs there is no place in town where it can be supplied with more promptness, skill, accuracy, or with a higher class of drugs and chemicals than at our place.

JAS. D. NUTT,
Druggist and Pharmaceutical Chemist.
my 30 tf — Wilmington, N. C.

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my 30 tf — WHOLESALE GROCERS.

WILMINGTON SEACOAST R. R.
ON AND AFTER JUNE 1ST, 1899,

the Schedule of the Wilmington Seacoast Railroad will be as follows:

DAILY EXCEPT SUNDAY.

Leave Wilmington.	Leave Ocean View.
6.30 A. M.	7.30 A. M.
10.10 A. M.	11.30 A. M.
2.30 P. M.	3.45 P. M.
5.00 P. M.	6.00 P. M.
7.15 P. M.	10.00 P. M.
SUNDAY.	
10.10 A. M.	11.30 A. M.
2.30 P. M.	6.00 P. M.

Every Friday night, on account of Club dances, the 7.15 P. M. train will leave the beach at 11.00 P. M. instead of 10.00.

Freight will be carried only on the 10.10 A. M. and 5.00 P. M. trains, except fresh meats, ice and vegetables, which will be taken on the 6.30 trains. No goods will be received unless accompanied by way bills and freight prepaid. No exceptions will be made to these rules.

my 31 tf — R. OSCAR GRANT, Supt.

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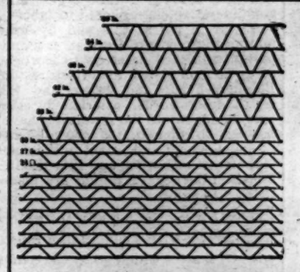

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WILMINGTON, N. C.

WEDNESDAY MORNING, MAY 31.

IN THE GRIP OF THE SYNDICATES.

No country in Europe has made the rapid progress in manufacturing that Germany has in the past twenty years. After the Franco-Prussian war she made up her mind to become a great industrial nation, and has since turned her energies in that direction and has pursued her aim tirelessly and methodically. In some of the things she has done she has given us object lessons which we could study and profit by if we did likewise.

Appreciating the fact that educated labor is the best kind of labor and in the end the cheapest, the industrial school became an established institution throughout the empire, and was fostered by the Government and encouraged by popular sentiment, and thus in a little while Germany had an army of expert workmen, the most expert of whom were put to teaching others. They took pride in their work, aimed at excellence, and the result was that German-made articles found ready purchasers in other countries, frequently crowding home-made articles to the rear, as has been the case in England, where the German brand gives an article precedence, especially when, as is often the case, it sells for a lower price than the home-made article.

Germany is one of the countries that the manufacturers of this country will have to compete against, the one that will in all probability prove the most formidable, and for that reason if no other we should catch onto the industrial school, which has given that country such vantage ground in competing with other nations, and has enabled her to become a great manufacturing nation within the space of two decades.

In some lines we are already leading England where she once led because we have the advantage of England in better labor and labor that takes more interest in its work than the average English workman does, but we have not that advantage over Germany, where labor is thoroughly systematized and thoroughly trained.

But there is system in other things, too, as illustrated by the methods adopted to investigate the conditions in other countries and ascertain the opportunities they offer for the introduction of German products, especially of manufactures. She sends commissions of competent persons to study these things and gather as much useful information as possible. In this we might also profit by her example. We depend either upon the observations of Americans who travel with their eyes and ears open or upon such information as our consuls can gather, but they are not all gifted with talent in that line.

One of the fields for American trade in the near future is Asia, where it has been making considerable progress for some time, but Germany has her eye on that part of the world and is not going to let us have any trade that she can wrest from us. She has the advantage of us in being nearer to those markets, in already having a foothold in China, and in having ships to do her ocean carrying.

Consul Mason, of Frankfort, seems to be a pretty observant sort of a man who has given some attention to the German industrial movement and to German methods, concerning which he speaks in his last report, the substance of which we find in the Washington correspondence of the New York *Journal of Commerce* and *Commercial Bulletin*. He writes:

"The phenomenal industrial development of Germany during the past twenty years has been the combined result of a national policy, under which the skill and enterprise of manufactures and merchants have been directed, encouraged and sustained by every resource of the Imperial and State Governments. From the Chancellor of the Empire down to the humblest tutor in a commercial or technical school Germany has been organized, educated, trained and devoted to the task of becoming an industrial nation in the broadest, highest sense, and in marketing its surplus products among the nations of the earth. The ablest judgment the profoundest learning, and and the most consummate technial skill have been brought to the study perfection of every detail in the entire system, and the result has thus far justified every effort and fulfilled all reasonable expectation.

"There are, however, not wanted in this country economists who think that they recognize on the horizon the rising of a cloud of ominous portent. As an incident and condition of Germany's perfect organization and rapid industrial growth, its leading productive interests have been syndicated to an extent probably unknown in any other country. All great industries—the mining of coal, the manufacture of coke, pig iron, steel billets, machinery, seed oils, potash salts, and many other products—have been for years governed by ably organized and managed syndicates, which control production, fix prices both for the home and export trades, declare dividends and apportion contracts. The remarkable efficiency of those syndicates in promoting exports of manufactured products has been largely due to the power which they exercise in maintaining the home price of any given class of merchandise at such profitable figures, as to enable the same manufacturer to sell for export at whatever discount may be necessary to secure the contract. In this way, as English exporters bitterly complain, German manufacturers, secure in their organization and their protected home market, have been able to sell structural iron and steel and railway supplies in London and Liverpool, and to flood the British colonies with German-made goods at prices with which their British rivals, already in possession of the colonial markets, have found it difficult to compete.

"From the reports of several Chambers of Commerce in Western Germany there have come recently signs of impending revolt on the part of the German public against being further compelled to pay the cost of establishing and maintaining markets abroad. It is also pointed out that one result of the system—the object of which was to retain in the Fatherland by every effective means the work of manufacture, and thus give the largest and most lucrative employment to labor—has been to defeat this end by promoting the export of German raw and partially finished materials, to be worked up to completed manufactures in Belgium, France and Switzerland. It is, in other words, asserted by the complainants that the syndicates have become too efficient, too consummate in management and potent in the control of vast resources, and that the interests of the general public are made thereby to suffer."

This covers the points to which we referred, with a concluding reference to trusts, which go by the name of syndicates in that country. "A rose by any other name would smell as sweet," and pitch by any other name would stick as tight. We have syndicates in this country, too, some of which are bona fide affairs, but generally speaking a syndicate of some sort is behind the trust. The noticeable feature of this statement in reference to syndicates is that they are essentially the outgrowth of the same cause that fosters the trusts in this country, namely, the protective tariff that gave them a monopoly of the home market, enabled them to dictate prices, charge the home consumers what they pleased and sell to others for less money to meet the competition they had to contend against, simply another illustration of what we have seen in this country, and the result is beginning to be the same in the popular sentiment growing up in Germany against the trusts or syndicates which have been taking advantage of their opportunities to levy tribute upon the people. The trust is a soulless, unscrupulous monstrosity wherever you find it.

PLAYING THE COURTS FOR POLITICS.

If the reports from Raleigh are to be relied upon, some of the defeated politicians in this State are planning to utilize the Federal Court to carry out their game. In pursuance of this scheme they propose to move against the "Red Shirts" of certain counties in this Congressional district, and harass them by prosecutions. The fact that these proceedings are confined to this district gives rise to the very natural suspicion that this movement is primarily in the interest of contestant Dockery, who thus hopes to make record evidence that may help him in contesting the seat of Hon. John D. Bellamy, who, Mr. Dockery will try to make it appear, was elected by red shirt intimidation. This is very likely the inspiration of this movement, for we have no idea that they who are behind it have any desire to punish the fellows who wore red shirts.

Possibly they may also have an idea that such proceedings may have the effect of intimidating Democrats and deter them from organizing for work in coming elections. Of course a red shirt is no more objectionable than any other kind of a shirt or any other badge to distinguish the party with which one acts would be, and therefore the proceeding is not against the red shirt, but the organization which chose the red shirt uniform. If they can intimidate Democrats (which they can't) and prevent organization they may have some hope of defeating the ratification of the suffrage amendments, which will be submitted to the people in August of next year. They are playing with a boomerang.

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MAKING ROOM FOR MORE.

While there may be and doubtless are good reasons for exempting certain employes of the Government from the provisions of the Civil Service law, as has just been done by the President, the principal reason for this action is, doubtless, to make room for more Republicans who want places they couldn't get without modifying or ignoring the law, as it applied to those places. There are a good many now included in the provisions of the law to whom it should never have applied and to whom it was not originally intended to apply, such as private secretaries and others whose relations to those with whom they are associated are of a confidential character, and others who need no special educational qualifications or special training.

There are a number of these in the Government service who are kept in under the civil service regulations while equally or even more competent persons are kept out. A head of a department who is responsible for its administration should have some privileges in the choosing of at least his principal assistants, between whom and him there should be cordial relations to the end that they might work together in full accord. There are certain kinds of employment which require certain qualifications and for these the applicants should be required to stand the test of fitness by examinations having some bearing upon the business they will be required to attend to, and not be put through a catalogue of irrevelant and nonsensical questions that the President of the United States, the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, or a university president couldn't answer without assistance.

BOOK NOTICES.

We are indebted to Mr. A. J. Howell, bookseller and stationer, for a very interesting volume entitled "State Trials; Mary Queen of Scotts, Walter Raleigh, Captain Kidd," edited by Charles Edward Lloyd and published by Callaghan & Co., 114 Monroe street, Chicago. The public is indebted to the suggestion of Mrs. Cicero Harris, formerly of this State, for the publication of this and other companion volumes. She had charge of the exhibit of old law books by the U. S. Department of Justice at the Omaha Exposition, and became so much interested in them that on her suggestion the most interesting of them were compiled and published. This is one of the volumes. It will be found very interesting especially to the student of history and the lawyer, as it gives in a captivating style the story of the trials mentioned. It is a neatly and clearly printed volume of 255 pages, with an appendix, substantially bound. For sale by A. J. Howell.

The Sewanee Review is an interesting publication, issued quarterly by the University of Tennessee. It is devoted to literary studies, and will be found especially interesting to the scholar and literary student. The April number presents "George Meredith, Novelist and Poet;" "The Troilus and Cresida' of Chaucer and of Shakespeare;" "McCrady's History of South Carolina;" "Matthew Arnold;" "The Partition of Africa," and other instructive and interesting matter. Address The Sewanee Review, Sewanee, Tenn.

The reader will find the *Ladies' Home Journal* for June interesting, with its varied list of contents, and the ladies will find it both interesting and valuable, on account of the departments which they find so useful. Address The Curtis Publishing Company, Philadelphia.

The June number of *St. Nicholas* is bright, interesting and beautifully illustrated, filled with matter which the young folks will enjoy and older folks may read with pleasure. Published by The Century Company, Union Square, New York.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE.

— Salisbury *Sun*: The Whitney Reduction Company purchased of the late Ephraim Manley, of Gold Hill, a few days before his death the MacMackin mine, below Gold Hill, paying $12,000 for it.

— Kinston *Free Press*: Some lowdown, mean person went in the cemetery Friday night and pulled up several slabs, knocked down a tombstone and tore off several pannels of the cemetery fence.

— Roxboro *Courier*: There was a trial at Chub Lake, Monday, the parties being charged with stealing three cents worth of corn from one Mr. Long. The parties charged were colored. While the trial was in progress in an old building near the store, the floor gave way and quite a number of people caved in with it. The cellar was formerly used as an old ice house, and was supposed to be fifteen or twenty feet deep. Henry Carter, a young white man, was the only person thought to be seriously hurt, but a number of others received some very bad bruises.

— Charlotte *News*:: There died in Charlotte Sunday morning one of the most unique characters that has ever cast his lot among this people. We have reference to the death of Mr. Wm. Gray, who breathed his last yesterday morning at 5 o'clock. He had been an invalid for several years and had been confined to his room for the past seven years. In years gone by Mr. Gray was one of the leading merchants of Charlotte. He was a very peculiar man—strong in his likes and dislikes, but withal, he loved to do a kind deed, and when fortune smiled upon him, he was lavish in his expenditures in behalf or those less fortunate. While he disclaimed any belief in religion, his heart was full of charity, and many now living in this city have been the recipients of his generosity. About seven years ago he walked from the street to his room and then vowed that he would never again walk a street in Charlotte. This vow he had kept, for none saw him unless they went to his room. A number of pastors of Charlotte churches have visited the deceased. To all he gave a cordial welcome, but to none did he ever express any desire to embrace the Christian faith. He died as he lived—a non-believer in the existence of a God or of a hereafter.

CURRENT COMMENT.

— The plain meaning of the news from Manila is that our four months campaign in Luzon has ended without the achievement of practical results—not that our troops were not among the bravest of the brave, nor that they failed to accomplish all that men could do, but because the seriousness of the Philippine problem had been greatly underrated by the War Department and General Otis.—*Philadelphia Record, Dem.*

— There is more real national glory in the important place the United States is taking at The Hague conference than in all the victories of the late war. The principal of arbitration has been accepted, and the conference is said to be waiting for completion of our plan for a permanent tribunal. This is an extension of the Anglo-American treaty that was worth waiting for.—*New York Commercial Advertiser, Rep.*

— We are told by the imperialists that fighting the Filipinos must go on; that the civil commissioners must be made to hold their tongues, lest they encourage the islanders to "demand" too much; that, in short, there must be no attempt made to reason with the natives, until they have been reduced to a state of abject, trembling submission. These are not the terms used by the expansionists, but we have gotten down what they mean, if we can understand them, and we think we can. We submit that this scheme is a repetition of the Spanish regime. It estops our imperialists from pronouncing one syllable of criticism on the Spaniards if they would be decently consistent.—*Chattanooga Times, Dem.*

TWINKLINGS.

— "A woman will always have the last word?" "Words, you mean."—*Philadelphia North American.*

— "Laugh," says Sinicus, "and the world laughs at you. Smile, and you treat the crowd."—*Philadelphia North American.*

— Friend—"What is your definition of a practical joke?" Humorist—"One that you can sell, of course."—*New York Journal.*

— "I don't think she looks very high to marry a clerk." "Oh, but he was irresistible. She found him at the bargain counter."—*Philadelphia Bulletin.*

— Lugubriously Cheerful: Miss Ethel—"Music always makes me feel sad; doesn't it you, Mr. Suds?" Mr. S.—"Yes; but I like it—it's always jolly to feel sad, don't y' know."—*Brooklyn Life.*

— Mr. Figg (explaining)—"You see the Washington nine is called the Senators and the Pittsburg bunch the pirates." Mrs. Figg—"But I supposed Senators and pirates were one and the same."—*Indianapolis Journal.*

Might Be Handy: "Say I wouldn't be as superstitious as you fer forty dollars." "Who's superstitious?" "W'y, you. Carryin' a horseshoe to de ball game." "Aw, go on. Dat's to soak the empire wit'."—*Indianapolis Journal.*

— Client—"This bill of yours is exorbitant. There are several items in it that I don't understand at all." Lawyer—"I am perfectly willing to explain it, but the explanation will cost you $10."—*New York Journal.*

— Cheerful Disposition: "My boy Johnny has such a cheerful disposition." "Yes?" "Oh yes. When I make him wash his neck, instead of grumbling, he just says he is glad he is not a giraffe."—*Indianapolis Journal.*

Human Heaters.

In considering the problem of heating the large department stores which are now to be found in nearly every big city it is very well worth taking into account the animal heat distributed by the many customers who come into such establishments. That this is considerable is evidenced by the experience of at least one engineer, who, in one such case, found that after 9:30 a. m. on a day in midwinter, with the thermometer at the freezing point, no other heat was needed to keep the place warm. This fact, however, emphasizes as well the great need of a good system of ventilation in such buildings as without it the air would soon become vitiated much beyond any reasonably permissible degree.—Cassier's Magazine.

Icehouse Fires.

Curiously, an icehouse is the most likely place in the world for a fire. Insurance rates are so high on ice sheds as to be almost prohibitive of any policies being taken out. Spontaneous combustion is responsible for the fires in ice sheds, according to some authorities. When a layer of ice is melted around the top and sides in summer, an immense amount of heat is set free. When conditions are exactly favorable, spontaneous combustion takes place. Others believe that a zone of warmth and moisture is created by the melting ice and that this attracts lightning. In any case an icehouse is a beautiful place for a fire.

Rather Close.

"The stingiest man I ever knew was a fellow who in going up stairs always skipped a step in order to save his shoe leather."

"That's nothing! I once knew a man who was so stingy that he wouldn't trim his finger nails except when he could borrow a jackknife, because he didn't want to wear out his own."—Chicago News.

Nothing Liberal About It.

Wilkins—I understand you are giving your son a liberal education.

Hobbs—Liberal? Not a bit of it. They don't give anything away at the college where he is. I have to pay for every plaguy thing he gets.—Boston Transcript.

QUARTERLY MEETINGS.

M. E. Church, South, Wilmington District.

Wilmington, Fifth Street, 11 A. M., June 4.
Wilmington, Market Street, night, June 4.
Magnolia, Providence, June 10-11.
Burgaw, Herring's Chapel, June 17-18.
Southport, (District Conference), June 21-25.
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HEART AND ARROW.

"Tim Casey," said Mat Brennan on the eve of Widow Moloney's birthday, "I want you to give her this birthday card from me. It's a great red heart, with a skewer sticking in it. That rigmarole means the heart, I mane. The skewer"—

"It's an arrow, Mat—that's what they do be calling it."

"Well, Tim, an there's a good Irish sound about that same. They can't do without us anyway, you see."

"Sorra a bit, an you want me to be afther giving her that!"

"Yes; I've improved it. I've made it stiff with red lead an put in a few dhrops, as if it was the blood of me heart that was flowing for her, an she's so scornful of me sufferings."

"It's illigant," said Tim, with great admiration.

"An see here, now. I've written some varses to her to the tune of 'O'Shaughnessy's Hat.' Bedad, an they rowl as swately as a jig an as deludhering as the craythur."

He sang them over in his rich voice and delicious brogue, and Tim got excited and promised his most devoted aid.

Next morning Tim started on his mission. First he sat down on a cold doorstep and reflected.

"Take her a dhirty, painted, twopenny piece of paper with a red lead heart on it! Bedad an begorra an I won't! I'll do better than that, or my name's not Tim Casey. Mat's a decent bhoy an a dhivil of a poet, but widdies is practical. It takes the likes of me to understand the likes of them."

Within ten minutes after this soliloquy he was seated in Mrs. Moloney's disordered and unventilated room.

"There it is, Mrs. Moloney, dear, an it must go to the heart of you to rade the hidden m'aning," said he as he pointed to a large, healthy looking pig's fry on the table and a bottle of whisky which was standing beside it. He had suppressed the paper missive as poor, artificial and inexpressive, and out of his devoted friendship and slender purse had bought the "pluck" and the spirits which he presented in Mat's name.

"It's an emblim, honey," continued he. "Here's his heart, in a manner of sp'aking, at your fate—on your dish, I mane. The liver shows that he can't live without you; the lights, that you're the light of his eyes, an that he longs for you with every breath, an the flare, that there'll be all the fat in the fire an the very dhivil to pay if you're unkind to him an refuse him. It's an emblim, my dear—a delicate poetical emblim, bedad!"

"It's beautiful!" said Mrs. Moloney, profoundly touched, as she uncorked the bottle and filled up two large port glasses. Then she added: "An I'll cook it. Tell him to come tonight an help ate it. An come you too, Tim, an Misthriss Casey."

So it was all understood. Tim had, like most of his countrymen, the feelings of a gentleman and the tact of a courtier. That was why he and his wife arrived designedly late, having sent a message that supper was not to wait.

Had they come sooner a slight incident might have been avoided, though possibly it all happened for the best. For, leaving the tete-a-tete meal and the conversations to be imagined by the reader, the crumpled rose leaf arose in this way. Mat had lit his pipe and had asked the widow how she liked the card and the verses.

She laughed and replied that she didn't know about the verses, except those he had been talking for the last hour. But, as for the card, he ought to know, for he had eaten the half of it.

Upon this Mat had jumped off his chair and exclaimed: "Then it's a dead man I am, an it's a wake I'll be afther attending, an not a wedding! I thought there was a quare taste about that piece of frizzled fat."

"What does the crature be m'aning at all?" cried she in surprise.

"It's poisoned I am. That heart was all over red lead," said he, falling back into his seat.

"Poisoned, you black hearted villain!" screamed Mrs. Moloney. "Then take that!" And she broke a jug on his head.

It was at this point that the Caseys arrived. Tim promptly knocked Mat down, and then he naturally became curious to know what the ambiguity was about.

"He's poisoned me!" said she between a shriek and a sob.

Tim seized Mat and threw him on an incomplete but unmatched dinner service, part of Mrs. Moloney's stock, which stood in a corner on the floor.

The widow, hearing the crash, smashed a chair on Tim's back, whereupon Mrs. Casey took her by the hair, and the two women fell into some miscellaneous lots in another corner. Then the neighbors came in and took indiscriminate sides, and matters generally hummed for a short time.

Eventually Tim got an inkling of the difficulty, told them to be quiet and narrated all the circumstances, to the great relief, joy and amusement of all the parties.

A pailful of water and a yard or two of sticking plaster, with a few pins for the women, quickly set things smooth and smiling. Mrs. Moloney made them all welcome, and soon liberal supplies of whisky, porter and tobacco were formulated. Additional candles were lit, illuminating fitfully the front shop, whose contents seemed the embodiment of the confused thoughts of the guests—tables stacked with their legs in the air, cane chairs hanging on the walls, blank gaseliers suspended from the ceiling, while a lighted lamp stood on the floor to prevent stumbling into the business portion of the establishment, and all went merrily. Mrs. Moloney for one brief ecstatic moment sat on Mat's knee, but they were severally picked up and revived, though the chair was pulverized, and Mat sang the "varses" which Tim had produced from his pocket along with the card.

Tim had applauded, wept and gone to sleep in the middle of the song. But the approval which greeted its conclusion, composed as it was of shouts, shrieks, knockings, tears and a free fight in the southeastern corner, effectually woke him.

Somehow, after a confused interval of health drinking, recrimination and embracings, the party found itself adjourned.

Mat and the widow are to be married so soon as the necessary formalities can be arranged.—Exchange.

Of Course None Came.

First Burglar—How did yer keep the soppers from interruptin yer?

Second Burglar—While I was crackin the safe I just kept yellin, "Perlice!"—Pearson's Weekly.

The Reason Why.

"How my mouth waters!" exclaimed the Mississippi river.

"That's because you are coming to a bar," replied the gulf of Mexico.—Chicago Tribune.

The Woman of It.

The Philadelphia Record says: "Almost the first thing a visitor does upon entering the room in which the Declaration of Independence was signed is to add his autograph to the vast collection of more than 20 years. The custodian of the book a few days ago, in speaking of his experience, said: 'You wouldn't believe it, but we have had only two attempts to mutilate the register or to write anything in it except names and addresses, and on both of those occasions the culprits were women.

"'There's another strange thing about the visitors,' he continued. 'Of the thousands who come here the only ones we have any trouble with are the women. We have a tape stretched across all those chairs,' he said, as he pointed to a long line of 'seats of the mighty,' as it were—chairs of the signers—'to prevent people from sitting in them. Well, one woman only yesterday wanted us to cut the tape for her, because she claimed she was a descendant of one of the signers and thought she had a right to sit in his chair, and she went away mad when we wouldn't make an exception in her case.'"

Two Peking Towers.

Peking has a tower in which is hung a large bell cast in the fifteenth century and another tower containing a huge drum which is intended to be beaten in case a great danger should threaten the city. No one is allowed to enter these towers.

FOR THE FARMER.

Enthusiasm an Essential of Success In Farming as In Everything Else. Pride of Possession.

No man can become an ideal farmer who does not love farming, and especially his own farm, says Texas Farm and Ranch. It is not necessary that a woman be both beautiful and rich to inspire love in the heart of her husband. The same may be truthfully said of the ties that exist between the farm and the farmer. A man may love his wife because she is his wife. So a farmer should love his farm because it is his farm and is and will be what he makes it. Whatever its physical features, it can be made lovely in the eye of him whom it nourishes and shelters, and it is equally true that when love does not exist there will be neglect and dissatisfaction, whether between man and wife or between farm and farmer. "Money makes the mare go," but it is pride of possession and the natural affection that should exist between man and his faithful servant that keeps the mare fat and sleek and enables her to continue going. To be proprietor of a piece of God's earth large enough to feed and comfort a family and large enough to afford free air and wholesome exercise to all the living creatures it nourishes is a thing to be proud of. If it is not adorned with natural beauty, adorn it. If the soil is not naturally fertile, generously fertilize it. One of the most lovable women the writer ever knew wore red hair and 400 freckles. Culture and conscience had made ornaments of what in others were blemishes. A farmer who loves his farm home will make it beautiful, though located on a piny woods hillside. But love of home and farm is not sufficient to make an ideal farmer. He must have enthusiasm. No man ever achieved distinction in any calling without enthusiasm. The farmer who hurries home from the country festival that he may see if his seeds are coming up, to see how much this crop or that one has grown; who loves to exhibit to admiring friends the beauty and graceful movements of his favorite colt; who talks respectfully to and caresses his milk cow; who rises in the morning before the crowing of the cock that he may work upon his plans for improving his estate, may be depended upon to become an ideal farmer. He will find no time to whittle goods boxes and little for the discussion of current politics with the ward heelers of his market town. His heart is where his treasures are, and, his farm and family being his treasures, there his interests center, and thither his tracks tend.

Weeder a Necessity.

In making out a list of implements to be purchased this spring put the weeder down near the head of the list if you have not one already in use on the farm. The farms are few that do not have a need for this implement. I should hate to undertake to care for a crop of corn or potatoes without one, and of course it is useful for many other operations upon the farm. It must be remembered, however, that the weeder is not intended for deep cultivation. It simply scratches the surface. It consists of a series of long, flexible steel fingers adapted to this sort of work. The secret in using the weeder successfully is to use it in time. It cannot distinguish between the farmer's friends and his enemies. It just as soon tickles a weed as the corn plant, and whether the weeds grow with renewed vigor or whether they are destroyed depends on the timeliness of the use of the weeder.

Requirements of Dairying.

The Southern Dairyman says the greatest objection it has against the dairy as a business is the close confinement that this special branch of the farm entails. The milking and dairy work generally must be carried on twice per day for 365 days in the year. It is this close confinement to business that makes the dairy unpopular with the larger class of those who have been investigating the subject. Now, it is well enough to state, unless one is fully reconciled to devote this very close attention to business as a private dairyman, he had better let the dairy business alone.

Bran For Sheep.

The American Sheep Breeder says that bran is an excellent food for breeding ewes. It is one of the best and may be fed alone with the best results to the ewes while carrying their lambs, as well as when nursing them. Generally it is the cheapest feed to be bought. One pound a day with a pound of cornmeal is quite sufficient to fatten store sheep or feed ewes with lamb. Of course this is in addition to a liberal supply of good hay. Clover is the best for sheep.

Cotton Seed and Soil.

Professor Henry of Wisconsin says that if southern farmers should attempt to replace the fertilizing elements removed from the soil in 1,400,000 tons of cottonseed meal it would cost them $48,000,000 per annum. The best way to restore these lands is by devoting the run down land to live stock and growing grazing crops.

Wood Ashes.

Wood ashes contain potash in varying degree, those from fruit trees in bearing sometimes having as much potash as 6 or even 8 per cent. But the wood ashes also contain some lime and some phosphate, which makes them more on all around manure than the potash taken from natural deposits can be.

Stock Cattle For Feeding.

The widespread demand for stock cattle for feeding throughout the corn growing states has become so great that many have been content to buy any kind of cattle and find by experience that there is no profit in feeding inferior cattle at any price.

Here's a Trick.

First Lady—What birthday present are you going to give to your husband?

Second Lady—A hundred cigars.

First Lady—And what did you pay for them?

Second Lady—Oh, nothing! For the last few months I have taken one or two out of Jack's box every day. He hasn't noticed it, and will be so pleased with my little present and the fine quality of the cigars.—London Fun.

He Was Low.

"An so Arabella has gone and engaged herself to a low churchman? Indeed I am astonished! Why, she even believes in the confessional!"

"Oh, as to that, perhaps he does too! But I should judge that he isn't an inch over five feet in his socks."—Cleveland Leader.

Woman's Egotism.

She—Why do you get so profane? Why can't you content yourself with "Good gracious me," as I do?

He—I couldn't be so egotistical as to talk that way about myself.—Boston Journal.

Hot Milk In German Cafes.

Hot milk is a regular recognized drink in some of the German cafes. It is served in a cup with a saucer, and two lumps of sugar always accompany it.

STAGE GLINTS.

Mounet-Sully is soon to act Iago at the Comedie Francaise.

Coppee's "Violin Maker of Cremona" has been made into an opera.

The past season in New York has been unusually full of new things and unusually prosperous.

Julia Marlowe's name is Julia Brough, and in her early stage career she was billed that way.

Sibyl Sanderson has entirely recovered from her long illness and is again studying with Trabadelo.

Laura Millard, Josie Intropidi and Henry Norman are singing in New York at the American theater.

Madrid has got over its sadness enough to produce a new opera called "Maria del Carmen." It did not prove a very great work.

Mascagni has succeeded in securing genuine hold again with his "Iris." He conducted the first performance and was recalled 20 times.

Coquelin has postponed indefinitely the production of Emile Bergerac's "More Than Queen," which was to have followed "Cyrano de Bergerac."

Annie Russell has signed a contract with Charles Frohman by the provisions of which she will continue to be starred under his direction for several years to come.

Andrew Mack's play for next season will be "The Last of the Rohans," a comedy of Irish life, written specially for him by Ramsay Morris, author of "An Irish Gentleman."

It has practically been settled that Mr. Goodwin will act next spring in London under Charles Frohman. Mr. Goodwin has expressed his intention to appear as Iago, Richard III and Shylock.

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Sheeting, 4-4, ℔ yard	@	5½
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Mackerel, No. 1, ℔ barrel	22 00 @	30 00
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Mackerel, No. 2 ℔ half-bbl	8 00 @	9 00
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Mullets, ℔ barrel	3 50 @	4 00
Mullets, ℔ pork barrel	5 00 @	8 00
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Dry Cod, ℔ ℔	5 @	10
Extra	4 30 @	4 40
FLOUR—℔ ℔		
Low grade	@	3 50
Choice	@	3 75
Straight	4 00 @	4 25
First Patent	4 50 @	5 00
GLUE—℔ ℔	7½@	8½
GRAIN—℔ bushel—		
Corn, from store, bgs—White	52 @	57
Car-load, in bgs—White	@	50
Oats, from store	40 @	50
Oats, Rust Proof	@	45
Cow Peas	65 @	70
Black Eye Peas	1 00 @	1 10
HIDES—℔ ℔		
Green salted	@	6½
Dry flint	@	10
Dry salt	@	9
HAY ℔ 100 ℔s		
Clover Hay	90 @	80
Rice Straw	40 @	45
Eastern	@	75
Western	@	75
North River	@	75
HOOP IRON, ℔ ℔	1½@	1¾
LARD, ℔ ℔—		
Northern	6 @	7
North Carolina	6 @	10½
LIME, ℔ barrel	1 15 @	1 25
LUMBER (city sawed) ℔ M—		
Ship Stuff, resawed	18 00 @	30 00
Rough edge Plank	15 00 @	16 00
West Indies cargoes, according to quality	18 00 @	18 00
Dressed Flooring, seasoned	18 00 @	23 00
Scantling and Board, com'n	14 00 @	15 00
Common mill	10 00 @	12 00
Fair mill	5 50 @	6 00
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MOLASSES ℔ gallon—		
Barbadoes, in hogshead	@	35
Barbadoes, in barrels	@	33
Porto Rico, in hogsheads	@	27
Porto Rico, in barrels	@	28
Sugar House, in hogsheads	12 @	14
Sugar House, in barrels	14 @	15
Syrup, in barrels	15 @	35
NAILS, ℔ keg, Cut, 60d basis	1 60 @	1 65
PORK, ℔ barrel—		
City Mess	@	11 00
Rump	@	10 50
Prime	@	10 00
ROPE, ℔ ℔	10 @	12
SALT, ℔ sack, Alum	@	1 10
Liverpool	75 @	80
American	70 @	75
On 100 ℔ Sacks—		
SHINGLES, 7-inch, per M	5 00 @	6 00
Common	1 50 @	2 25
Cypress Saps	2 50 @	3 50
SUGAR, ℔ ℔—Standard Gran'd	5¾@	5¾
Standard A	@	5¾
White Extra C	@	5¼
Extra C, Golden	@	5
C, Yellow	@	4¾
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SEA GULLS.

Slow circling high o'erhead, forecasting bale,
Gray tempest signals blown about the coast,
Purposeless, chainless, tossed of every gale,
Like one whose soul some wandering grief hath crossed
To vague unrestfulness and spaceless woe—
So through the air's thick vistas do they go,
What time the storm kings scour the plains on high,
And cloud drift darkens all the lone, vast sky.
The sun smiles; they descend, their wings find rest,
And peace rules in each calmed, soft, brooding breast.
—William Higgs in Youth's Companion.

THE UGLY DUCKLING.

The yacht Maisie was picking her way among the dozen or more pleasure boats that lay at anchor in the inlet when I, who was tightening the jib sheet, saw her master, Captain Martin, doff his old yachting cap and bob his grizzled head.

"D'ye see that thar lady an gentleman?" asked he, indicating with a wag of his head some people on board an ugly little brown sloop to port of us.

"Yes," I said. "What of them?"

"Waal, that thar's Miss Beemis an her father, Mr. Frederick Beemis, as lost his money on Wall street spring afore last."

We were going at a fair speed, but the brown boat rushed by us and swept out over the blue wind ruffled waters of the bay. I stood and gaped after her until the captain recalled me to myself with a triumphant "Thar, warn't I right about that thar boat?"

"How do you account for her speed?" I asked.

"I don't altogether. Boats is like wimmen. Ye can't allus tell how they're goin ter act nor jist why. Ye never seen Mr. Beemis' other boat, the Mermaid?"

"No, but I've heard you mention her."

"Ye see, I've knowed Mr. Beemis sence he war a young man an Miss Eleanor sence she war a babby, an they sets a heap of store by my jedgment—leastwise in nautical matters. It come about w'en Mr. Beemis' riches tuk an put wings on their-selves an flew away that Mr. Cronin—the young gentleman as owns the big car works up Blackport way—bought Mermaid off'n him. It war my 'pinion at the time that it 'u'd be better fer Mr. Cronin ter stick ter his keers an not try sailin, as he war never intended by natur' fer the water, though good lookin enough, fer that matter, but he tuk the Mermaid, howsomever, an as she sailed away with him on board I heard the gal say ter her father, 'Never min', daddy, never mind,' says she; 'we'll have some sort'n a craft ter sail in, won't we?' An me, a-standin ahind 'em, says ter myself, 'Ye will,' fer I know'd neither of 'em couldn't keep from the water, they bein born sailors both.

"'Twarn't long arter this Mr. Beemis come ter me one day an asked of I knowed a good boat he could git cheap. Waal, I didn't jist then, but I said I'd look. Waal, one day I run acrost a lad as come up from Boston waters an had a bit of a brown boat he wanted ter sell. She needed repair an war as ugly as blue mud, but he stud ter it; she war seaworthy an a tidy sailor. Mr. Cronin an the Mermaid hadn't ben roun' fer almost two weeks then, an I knowed the Beemises, father an darter, war nigh sick ter be on the water ag'in. So I says ter Mr. Beemis, 'Ye kin but try the boat.' An he says, 'All right.'

"Waal, the upshot of it war we tuk that thar ugly little brown thing out one day fer a trial trip—me an Mr. Beemis an his darter—an we hadn't much more'n cleared the inlet w'en they war wild ter have her. An Miss Eleanor says w'en we war a-comin home: 'She's most like a little brown duck ter look at, but she sails like a fust class yacht. We'll call her the Ugly Ducklin.' An that's how she come by her name an how they come ter git her.

"Waal, Mr. Beemis used ter git me ter take the gal a-sailin w'en he couldn't go 'long, an many's the little vige we tuk tergether, her an me. We seen the Mermaid hangin roun' quite frequent, but Miss Eleanor didn't never seem partic'lar pleased, I will say, an didn't pay no 'mount of 'tention ter Mr. Cronin's salutes. Mr. Cronin, he war a-tryin ter learn ter sail his boat hisself, but he war mighty dumb about it, an I didn't see as he improved none, an specially when he seen the Ducklin a-heavin in sight he'd handle that thar Mermaid like she war a four-in-han' till she'd pitch an toss like a plungin hoss.

"Long about the middle of August last year I got my arm broke an my leg injured by gittin caught in the boom of a big catboat a greenhorn war a-tryin ter sail, an I war laid up fer three weeks in my bed. The fust day I war out, I reck'lect, war a reg'lar fall day, with a mist a-lyin over the bay an a soft light on the water. I limped down ter the float an war a-standin a-lookin at the Ducklin a-bobbin an a-bowin her ugly little brown body up an down in the light swell, an as I stud thar Miss Eleanor come along, an says she:

"'Oh, cap'n, I'm so glad yer better an able ter be roun' agin. I've missed ye awful bad. I ain't ben out on the Ducklin fer a week; my father's away, an there's ben no one ter go with.' I seen by her face that she war a-longin fer the water, an I felt mighty like it myself, so I says, 'Would ye like ter go this arternoon?' Her eyes got big an bright, an I could see the sea yearnin in 'em more'n ever. 'Oh, yes,' says she, 'but it wouldn't be right fer take ye out an ye so weak.' 'I'm all right,' says I, 'an ye can manage the sails as well as any man, an, of yer a mind ter, we'll go, an I'll help all I kin.'

"It was a purty sight ter see that gal climbin about gettin them thar sails ready ter h'ist. She wore one of them bicycle skirts ye seen her in yerday, an a little yachtin cap, an her face war rosy with the sun an the wind, an the loose hair war a-blowin roun' her temples in little rings ilke—but ye seen her, an wot's the use in me tellin yo—

"Waal, w'en we war ready we got under way, the Ducklin a-dippin an a-boundin ahead, without no noise but the sweep of the wind through her riggin an the wash of the water roun' us. We'd got well down Staten Island sound w'en I seen thar war a storm a-comin, an I says ter Miss Eleanor, 'We'd better be a-turnin back,' an she says, 'All right.' An I brought the Ducklin's head roun', an we scooted away t'ward home. An all of a suddint we seen the Mermaid ahead of us, an Miss Eleanor's mouth set hard immediate, an she looked as stern an haughty-like as such a beautiful lady kin possibly look.

"'We'll overhaul that boat,' says she an tightened the sheets. An in ten minutes the Ugly Ducklin war sailin past the Mermaid as chipper as ye please, an Miss Eleanor war a-standin in the cockpit, a-givin Mr. Cronin a bow an a look as must 'a' made that young feller feel mighty chilly. We war two lengths ahead of the Mermaid w'en I looked back an seen how Mr. Cronin war a-sailin her. Thar warn't no other man aboard, an all her canvas war set, an Cronin hissoit war as white as a sheet an had a reckless, haggard look on him as I wouldn't like ter see on no man.

"Waal, sir, we didn't gain much on the Mermaid an war well down near them hospital islands w'en I seen a flaw o' wind a-comin, a-dancin an a-swoopin acrost the water, an I'd jist time ter put her head ter it w'en it struck us. She'd 'a' keeled over if she'd 'a' tuck it broadside on. An Miss Eleanor, she made shift some'ow ter git in the jib an put a reef in the mainsail, me a-keepin her head to, fer we knowed what that flaw meant. An, sure enough, the storm war on us afore ye could say 'Jack Robinson,' an the wind roared past us an druv the spray in our faces, an the sky war overcast with clouds as come up from nowhere like, an in that minit I looked back an seen the Mermaid, with all sail set, leanin over on her side an plowin her nose in the breakers, w'ile that thar Cronin sat at the wheel with the same face on him he had afore.

"'He's sailin like a crazy man,' says Miss Eleanor, excited like. 'He'll capsize sure, cap'n. Call ter him ter bring her head to, for heaven's sake.' I yelled till I war black in the face, but he didn't hear; leastwise he kept right on, an all we could hear war the rushin of the winds an the swishin of the big waves as tumbled half over us, an presently Cronin give a yell that war kind of a laugh, an we seen the Mermaid keel clean over.

"Jist fer a minit I seen the gal cover her face with her hands, an w'en she tuck 'em down she says, 'Put about, Cap'n Martin; we must save that man!' It war jist what I war a-goin ter do, though how I war a-goin ter save Mr. Cronin, an me a'most a helpless cripple, I didn't know. As we come about bouncin an tumblin like a cork we could see the Mermaid lyin over on her side, her sails flappin in the water an her beautiful body a-liftin up an a-floppin down with the motion of the waves an Mr. Cronin a-clingin ter her hull bareheaded an drippin. We run the Ducklin up as clost as we dared an lay to, but we warn't near enough ter throw him a rope, an the dingey war full of water ter the gunwale an a-hangin onter the yacht's stern like a lump of lead.

"'He kin only swim a few strokes,' says Miss Eleanor low an quiet like. W'ile she war speakin Mr. Cronin either made up his min' ter try how far them strokes would kerry him or else he couldn't hol' on no longer, fer we seen him slip off'n the yacht's hull an flop in the water, an next minit Miss Eleanor war haulin off her skirt an shoes, an afore I knowed it she war a-standin on the gunwale in them thar bloomer things an no shoes. 'Miss Eleanor, fer the Lord's sake, what be ye goin ter do?' says I, but she didn't heed, an afore I could git ter her with my lame leg on that heavin boat she'd jumped overboard an war swimmin with them strong strokes of hers t'wards the flounderin drownin man. He warn't more'n 50 feet away, but the sea war runnin high, an 'twarn't no cinch ter git ter him, but she done it. I s'posed at the time he war too played out ter know wot he war a-doin, fer no man in his senses, least of all Mr. Cronin, would catch hol' of the person as comes ter save him like he done ter Miss Eleanor. I seen him clutch her arm desperatelike—my God, I'll never forgit the sight's long's I live—an me helpless thar on the yacht!

"Waal, sir, she struggled with him, an I could hear her speakin sharp an stern, an then he began ter sink an drag her with him. Then somehow, with a mighty effort, she give him an herself a suddint jerk out of the water, an I see her raise her flat an bring it down with all her strength square atween his eyes. She done it twice afore he kept quiet, an then she swam in, a-haulin him along. It didn't take more'n a few minits, but it seemed a year ter me, thinkin she'd give out an go ter the bottom with him. But she was a strong swimmer, an she kept me ter heave her a rope, which I done, first a-tyin a loop in it, so she could slip it of engineerin a-gittin him aboard the Ducklin an a-keepin her stiddy w'ile we done it. Miss Eleanor left him a-hangin by the rope, w'ile she climbed aboard with my help, an then we rigged a pulley on the mast. But, Lord, I war glad w'en I seen Mr. Cronin safe over the Ducklin's gunwale, though he might 'a' ben a log fer all the signs of life war in him. An we laid him in the cockpit an she poured brandy down him w'ile I sat holdin the tiller. An I seen her push his han' away from his temples and lean his head ag'in her breast an stoop an kiss the mark her fist had made atween his brows, mindin me no more'n of I'd ben a sand flea. He come to, wanderin in his min' an talkin ter hisself, jist a lot of gibberish. By gosh, what with him as deler'ous as a loon an what with the wind an the sea, we had a rough time gittin home.

"Howsumever, we done it at last, an Mr. Cronin war carried up ter the Beemis house, an then it come out that he'd ben sick fer a week with a kinder low fever, but able ter be about, an on the day of the storm he'd gone down by hisself an tuk the Mermaid out alone, the foolhardiest thing fer a well man ter do, leave alone a sick one. But Mr. Cronin never war no sailor, an that day his head war gone wrong!

"It war six weeks afore he got over that spell of illness, an Miss Eleanor, she helped nuss him, but it allus a-kinder puzzled me ter make out jist how matters stud atween 'em afore she saved his life. I lean ter the belief that they war engaged, or as good as, an had a quar'l. What d'ye think?" And the captain looked with wistful inquiry into my face.

"I think it very likely," I said. "But what of the Mermaid?"

"Oh, they picked her up. She's in commission this summer, but Mr. Cronin most ginerally prefers sailin on the Ugly Ducklin nowadays. Miss Eleanor's a-goin ter marry him, ye know. Min' the boom, sir! Min' the boom! We're goin about."—Buffalo News.

Dangers of Filters.

Filters for purifying water are of many kinds in their mechanical structure, but, according to the report of the Maryland state board of health, it would appear that such filters may steadily lose efficiency until they become first class culture beds for bacteria. In evidence of this position an example cited is that of a man in Baltimore who sends the whole water supply of his house through a large filter and subsequently puts his drinking water through one of the small domestic filters common in the market.

A test of this arrangement showed that on a day when the city taps were running 510 bacteria to the cubic centimeter the large filter was delivering some 9,000 bacteria in the same water. When the large filter was repacked, only 9 bacteria per centimeter got through it, though this same water when passed through the small filter came out with 71 bacteria per centimeter.

This aspect of the matter is still further strengthened by another example, a case where a filter supposed to be the best in the market was in use. The effectiveness of this filter was so short lived that the precaution was observed of boiling the water after it was filtered.

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Brotherly Feeling of a House Painter For an Artist Patron.

There is a saying that two of a trade can never agree, but there is reason to believe that there is more fraternity of interest than is generally supposed. An instance to prove this theory is found in the case of an artist in the suburbs who had the front of his cottage painted last week. It wasn't much of a job, but it was done very well, and the painter was told to bring in his bill.

Three days later the man of the house was told that the painter wanted to see him.

"Tell him to leave the bill and I'll send him a check," was the impatient answer.

He was informed that the painter wanted to see him in person, so there was nothing to do but to show him up.

"Well?" said the man of the house rather shortly.

"I hope you like the job," said the painter with a mysterious smile.

He was informed that it appeared to be all right.

"I always do good work," said the painter virtuously. "But this here house—boss, I rather throwed myself on this when I found out who you was."

"So you found out who I was, did you?"

"Yes. When I went to the drug store at the corner for putty, the clerk told me you was a painter and one of the best in this country. I asked why you didn't paint your house, then, and he said you had got your hand out now and didn't paint anything but pictures. So when I found you was in the trade I did my pretticst. And here is the bill—$18.60—and it ain't no more than right, as you know, but being it's you I'll knock off the 60 cents."

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2 30 p m	Lv.....Sanford.....Lv		1 43 p m
12 42 p m	Lv.....Climax.....Lv		3 44 p m
12 13 p m	Lv.....Greensboro.....Ar		4 15 p m
11 55 a m	Ar.....Greensboro.....Lv		4 35 p m
11 07 a m	Lv.....Stokesdale.....Lv		5 19 p m
10 36 a m	Lv.....Walnut Cove.....Lv		5 44 p m
10 00 a m	Lv.....Rural Hall.....Lv		6 13 p m
8 45 a m	Lv.....Mt. Airy.....Ar		7 25 p m
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9 35 a m	Lv.....Red Springs.....Lv		5 35 p m
10 20 a m	Lv.....Hope Mills.....Lv		4 52 p m
10 40 a m	Ar.....Fayetteville.....Lv		4 33 p m
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DAILY 7.00 P. M. — No. 40—Passenger—Due Magnolia 8.34 P. M., Warsaw 8.48 P. M., Goldsboro 9.45 P. M., Wilson 10.38 P. M., †Tarboro 7.04 A. M., Rocky Mount 11.38 P. M. Weldon 1.00 A. M., †Norfolk 10.35 A. M., Petersburg 2.35 A. M., Richmond 3.53 A. M., Washington 7.01 A. M., Baltimore 8.33 A. M., Philadelphia 10.35 A. M. New York 1.08 P. M., Boston 9.00 P. M

DAILY except Sunday 2.25 P. M. — No. 50—Passenger—Due Jacksonvill 4.13 P. M., Newbern 5.40 P. M.

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DAILY 3.45 P. M — No. 55—Passenger—Due Lake Waccamaw 4.56 P. M., Chadbourn 5.38 P. M. Marion 6 34 P. M., Florence 7.15 P. M. Sumter 8.37 P. M., Columbia 10.20 P. M., Denmark 6.12 A. M., Augusta 7.35 A. M. Macon 11.15 A. M., Atlanta 12.35 P. M. Charleston 10.50 P. M., Savannah 1.50 A. M., Jacksonville 7.30 A. M., St. Augustine 10.30 A. M., Tampa 6.06 P. M.

ARRIVALS AT WILMINGTON—FROM THE NORTH.

DAILY 5.50 P. M. — No. 49—Passenger—Leave Boston †1.00 P. M., New York *9.00 P. M., Philadelphia 12.05 A. M., Baltimore 2.50 A. M. Washington 4.30 A. M., Richmond 9.05 A. M., Petersburg 10.00 A. M., Norfolk 9.00 A. M., Weldon 11.50 A. M., Tarboro 12.21 P. M. Rocky Mount 12.53 P. M., Wilson 2.40 P. M., Goldsboro 3.21 P. M., Warsaw 4.12 P. M., Magnolia 4.35 P. M.

DAILY 9.45 A. M — No. 41—Passenger—Leave Boston 12 night, New York 3.30 A. M., Philadelphia 12.09 P. M., Baltimore 2.25 P. M., Washington 3.45 P. M., Richmond 7.30 P. M., Petersburg 8.12 P. M., †Norfolk 2.20 P. M., Weldon 3.43 P. M., †Tarboro 6.00 P. M., Rocky Mount 5.40 A. M. Leave Wilson 6.30 A. M., Goldsboro 7.01 A. M., Warsaw 7.56 A. M., Magnolia 8.09 A. M.

DAILY except Sunday 1.15 P. M. — No. 51—Passenger—Leave Newbern 9.00 A. M., Jacksonville 10.26 A. M

FROM THE SOUTH.

DAILY No. 54—Passenger—Leave Tampa 8.10 A. M., Sanford 3.07 P. M., Jacksonville 8.00 P. M., Savannah 1.45 A. M., Charleston 6.33 A. M., Atlanta 7.50 A. M., Macon 9.00 A. M., Augusta 3.30 P. M., Denmark 4.17 P. M. Columbia 6.40 A. M., Sumter 8.10 P. M., Florence 9.50 A. M., Marion 10.30 A. M., Chadbourn 11.34 A. M., Lake Waccamaw 12.08 A. M.

†Daily except Sunday.

Trains on the Scotland Neck Branch Road leave Weldon 3.55 P. M., Halifax 4.15 P. M.; arrive Scotland Neck 5.08 P. M., Greenville 6.57 P. M., Kinston 7.55 P. M. Returning, leaves Kinston 7.50 A. M., Greenville 8.53 A. M.; arriving Halifax at 11.18 A. m., Weldon 11.33 A. M. Daily except Sunday.

Trains on Washington Branch leave Washington 8.30 A. M. and 3.30 P. M.; arrive Parmele 9.10 A. M. and 4.00 P. M.; returning leaves Parmele 9.35 A. M. and 6.30 P. M.; arrives Washington 11.00 A. M. and 7.20 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Train leaves Tarboro, N. C., daily except Sunday, 8.30 P. M.; Sunday, 4.15 P. M.; arrives Plymouth 7.40 P. M. and 6.10 P. M. Returning, leaves Plymouth daily except Sunday, 7.50 A. M. and Sunday 9.00 A. M.; arrive Tarboro 10.05 A. M. and 11.00 A. M.

Train on Midland N. C. Branch leaves Goldsboro, N. C., daily except Sunday, 7.05 A. M.; arrives Smithfield, N. C., 8.10 A. M. Returning leaves Smithfield 9.00 A. M.; arrives Goldsboro 10.05 A. M.

Train on Nashville Branch leaves Rocky Mount at 9 30 A. M., 3.40 P. M.; arrives Nashville 10.10 A. M., 4.03 P. M., Spring Hope 10.40 A. M., 4.35 P. M. Returning, leaves Spring Hope 11.00 A. M., 4.55 P. M., Nashville 11.22 A. M.; 5.25 P. M., arrives at Rocky Mount 11.45 A. M., 6.00 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Train on Clinton Branch leave Warsaw for Clinton, daily except Sunday, at 8.10 A. M. and 4.15 P. M. Returning, leave Clinton at 7.00 A. M. and 10.30 A. M.

Florence Railroad leave Pee Dee 10.02 A. M., arrive Latta 10.24 A. M., Dillon 10.36 A. M., Rowland 10.54 A. M. Returning, leaves Rowland 6.00 P. M.; arrives Dillon 6.32 P. M., Latta 6.35 P. M., Pee Dee 7.00 P. M., daily.

Trains on Conway Branch leave Hub at 3.00 P. M., Chadbourn 5.35 P. M.; arrive Conway 7.40 P. M.; leave Conway 5.30 A. M., Chadbourn 11.30 A. M.; arrive Hub 12.25 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Central of South Carolina Railroad leave Sumter 8.15 P. M., Manning 8.41 P. M.; arrive Lane's 9.17 P. M.; leave Lane's 8.34 A. M., Manning 9.09 A. M.; arrive Sumter 9.40 A. M. Daily.

Georgetown and Western Railroad leave Lane's 9.30 A. M., 7.40 P. M.; arrive Georgetown 12.00 M., 9.00 P. M.; leave Georgetown 7.00 A. M.; 3.30 P. M.; arrive Lane's 8.25 A. M.; 5.55 P. M Daily except Sunday.

Trains on Cheraw and Darlington Railroad leave Florence daily except Sunday at 9.50 A. M.; arrive Darlington 10.15 A. M., Aartsville 9.15 P. M., Cheraw 11.30 A. M., Wadesboro 9.38 P. M.; leave Florence daily except Sunday at 7.35 P. M.; arrive Darlington 8.50 P. M., Bennettsville 9.17 P. M., Gibson 10.20 P. M. Leave Florence Sunday only 9.30 A. M., arrive Darlington 10.05 A. M.

Leave Gibson daily except Sunday at 6.00 A. M. Bennettsville 7.00 A. M.; arrive Darlington 8.00 A. M. Leave Darlington 8.50 A. M.; arrive Florence 9.15 A. M. Leave Wadesboro daily except Sunday 3.00 P. M., Cheraw 4.45 P. M., Hartsville 7.00 A. M., Darlington 6.39 P. M.; arrive Florence 7.00 P. M. Leave Darlington Sunday only at 8.50 A. M., arrive Florence 9.15 A. M.

Wilson and Fayetteville Branch leave Wilson 1.58 P. M., 11.14 P. M., arrive Selma 2.50 P. M. 11.57 P. M., Smithfield 3.03 P. M., Dunn 3.40 P. M. Fayetteville 4.35 P. M., 1.06 A. M., Rowland 6.00 P. M., returning leave Rowland 10.54 A. M., Fayetteville 12.15 P. M., 9.40 P. M., Dunn 1.04 P. M., Smithfield 1.43 P. M., Selma 1.50 P. M., 10.58 P. M., arrive Wilson 2.35 P. M., 11.31 A. M.

Manchester & Augusta R. R. trains leave Sumter 4.29 A. M., Creston 5.17 A. M., arrive Denmark 6.19 A. M. Returning, leave Denmark 4.17 P. M., Creston 5.13 P. M., Sumter 6.03 P. M. Daily.

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WEDNESDAY MORNING, MAY 31.

RALEIGH PENITENTIARY.

Another Complaint From Federal Prisoners Alleging Cruel and Inhumane Treatment.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, May 30.—One of the United States prisoners in the Raleigh, N. C., penitentiary has written a letter to the *Star*, charging cruel treatment of the inmates of that institution. The letter is written by a prisoner who is apparently well educated, he says:

"I wish to call your attention again to the outrageous treatment we prisoners are receiving at the hands of the brutal State officials. We have solicited aid from the Department of Justice, but have received no assistance. Yet Major Strong, of the department, came here, examined the prisoners and found they had been brutally treated, and promised to do something for us.

"Yesterday a poor deformed prisoner was taken and struck twelve lashes on his bare back because he could not do a strong man's work. After he had been whipped, he told the officers he was going to report the matter to the attorney general. He was then taken and struck ten more blows, and when taken down was unable to stand. He was then told by the warden that unless he did the work assigned to him he would be dealt with in a severer way, and that they were going to treat the prisoners as they pleased, so long as the government kept them here; that they need not expect assistance from the Department of Justice, because they were not running the penitentiary.

"As a result of this inhuman treatment two prisoners, who had been recently flogged, ran away from the clay pit to-day. They were shot at several times by the guards, but they were determined to leave this place of torture. They succeeded and have not been heard from. Now, if there is no assistance to come from the United States, we are going to protect ourselves or die in the attempt."

COTTON AND TOBACCO.

Weather Bureau's Crop Report—Too Cool in the Carolinas for Cotton—Conditions Improved in Texas.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, May 30.—The weekly crop bulletin of the Weather Bureau, issued to-day, is in part as follows:

"The week ending May 29th, 1899, has been much too cool in the Middle and South Atlantic States, but elsewhere east of the Rocky Mountains the temperature conditions have been very favorable. The previously reported droughty conditions in the Gulf States have been largely relieved by rains, which have been very heavy in localities, while in some sections drought continues, especially in Southern and Eastern Texas and Southern Louisiana.

"The condition of cotton has improved over the eastern portion of the cotton belt, except in the Carolinas, where the weather has been too cool. The crop has made slow growth and is suffering for rain in portions of Louisiana and Mississippi, while too much rain has injured the stand in Arkansas. In Texas cotton is growing rapidly and the crop is well cultivated, except in some localities of the northern portion, where the fields are foul.

"The week has not been favorable for transplanting tobacco, owing to absence of rain. Much ground is prepared, however, and with a favorable season the work will make rapid progress."

TEXAS QUARANTINES.

All Intercourse With New Orleans Forbidden On Account of Yellow Fever. Guards Placed at State Line.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

HOUSTON, TEXAS, May 30.—State Health Officer Blunt to-day, on hearing of the case of yellow fever at New Orleans, placed quarantine guards and inspectors at all points of entrance to Texas, by telephone orders, and has sent the following telegram to every railroad entering Texas from New Orleans:

"Do not sell tickets over your line from New Orleans to Texas points. Do not bring any passengers or things from New Orleans, either by express or freight, into Texas, until further orders."

This will tie up the Southern Pacific hard and fast, as it has been tied up for the past three Summers. The train which goes through to-night will be the last one until quarantine is raised, although officials are trying to secure service by running two trains to connect at the State line.

ORANGE, TEXAS, May 30.—Guards were placed at the State line to-day and a rigid quarantine by order of State Health Officer Blunt has been established.

GENERAL JOE WHEELER.

Democratic Newspapers in Alabama Call Upon Him to Enter the Race for Governor.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

BIRMINGHAM, ALA., May 30.—The *News* to-day says:

"With almost one accord, the newspapers in General Joe Wheeler's congressional district have united on a call for him to enter the race for Governor and heal the disruption that now exists in the Democratic party in Alabama.

The call has been taken up by other papers in central and southern Alabama, and it is said that Wheeler might be induced to enter the field if he is not sent to the Philippines. If he ran he would be elected beyond a doubt. Even the Populists and Republicans will scarcely oppose him. Wheeler's election as Governor would, it is believed, insure him an eventual seat in the United States Senate."

The *News* expresses the opinion that Wheeler will not accept the governorship.

HOLLYWOOD CEMETERY.

Confederate Memorial Day in Richmond, Virginia.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

RICHMOND, VA., May 30.—Hollywood Confederate Memorial Day was observed here to-day. There was a parade of the Richmond Blues, the Howitzers and the veterans from the Soldier's Home.

Bishop C. C. Penick made an address. The graves were decorated and a salute was fired.

OUR DEAD IN THE PHILIPPINES.

Decoration Day Services Held Yesterday at the Cemetery in Manila.

BURIAL PLACE OF SOLDIERS.

Graves of the Soldier Dead Covered With Flowers—Business Houses in Manila Closed—Killing of Capt. Tilley On Negros Island.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

MANILA, May 30.—Memorial Day was celebrated at Battery Knoll, where Scott's guns were planted against the Filipino trenches in the first day's fight at Manila. Nearly three hundred soldiers are buried there on a bleak mound surrounded by rice fields, rough boards marking the graves, which are ranged in five unbroken rows. Beyond these are Spanish block houses and bamboo hedges which were mown by shells from the American guns.

The few soldiers who could be spared from the trenches came to Battery Knoll, dusty and bronzen, bearing flowers with which to strew their comrades' graves. A silk flag was placed above each mound. The day was as mild as a New England Spring day, when just before sunset a few hundred Americans gathered in a circle around Battery Knoll in blue and brown uniforms. Among the soldiers were groups of American ladies and brown faced natives, peering curiously at the unwonted spectacle from points nearby. The guns of the monitor Monadnock, which bombarded Paranaque, boomed a significant reminder of the nearness of war. Just as the Sixth artillery band began a dirge, the thunder of the Monadnock's guns ceased, while taps sounded from the bugle.

Exercises at the Graves.

Colonel Charles Denby, of the United States Philippine Commission, presided at the exercises. He spoke briefly of the peculiar solemnity of the day to Manila. The chaplain of the British cruiser Powerful made an invocation. Chaplain Pierce, of the Twenty-third infantry, and Chaplain Cressey, of the Minnesota volunteers, delivered orations, and the soldiers sung appropriate hymns. After taps had been sounded the soldiers took the flags from the graves to send to relatives of the dead.

Similar services were held at another cemetery this afternoon, Colonel Denby being the orator on this occasion. The graves were decorated with a vast quantity of magnificent flowers.

High mass for the dead of the Roman Catholic communion was celebrated at the Paco cemetery in the morning. Orations were delivered by Fathers McKinnon and McQuade, and Chaplain Stevenson, of the Idaho regiment, a Methodist, and Peter McQueen, a Congregational clergyman of Boston.

Most of the business places of Manila were closed in observance of the day. The American and many foreign flags were at half-mast.

The graves of the soldiers and sailors at Cavite and Iloilo were also decorated to-day.

Capt. Tilley's Body Recovered.

Brigadier General Smith, who was sent with a detachment of troops on board a gunboat in search of Captain George H. Tilley, of the Signal Corps, reported missing at Escalante, on the Island of Negros, sent the body of Captain Tilley to Iloilo to-day on board a launch. The body of Captain Tilley was buried later in the day with suitable ceremony. The English captain joined with his comrades of the Signal Corps in arranging for the funeral and heaped wreaths of flowers upon the coffin of the dead soldier.

General Smith remains at Escalante with his soldiers to search for the missing men who were with Captain Tilley when he met his death.

Advices from Gen. Otis.

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 30.—Two dispatches were received at the War Department to-day and give the first details of Captain Tilley's death on the island of Negros that have been received since the first announcement of that fact in a message from Major Thompson to Chief Signal Officer General Greeley. The most important additional information is that Captain Tilley's body has been recovered and is buried at Iloilo, and that General Smith is in possession of the town where the murder was committed. The dispatch from General Otis indicates that the captain of the cable vessel and two other men were also victims of the ambush, but it does not make it clear whether they eventually escaped or whether they were killed and their bodies not recovered.

Two Officers Missing.

MANILA, May 31, 11.30 A. M.—Two petty officers of the U. S. hospital ship Relief went sailing in the harbor yesterday. Their boat was afterward found in the possession of natives near the Paranaque lines, by the monitor Monadnock. The men are supposed to have been killed or captured.

The cruiser Boston will soon sail for the United States with Captain Barker, temporarily in command of the Asiatic squadron, and the departure of that officer will leave Captain Geo. F. Wilde, now in command of the Boston, in supreme control, until the arrival of Rear Admiral Watson.

Captain Wren has organized a company of Macabebes as scouts. They wear U. S. army shirts and trousers and are under Wren's personal command.

FIFTY PEOPLE INJURED.

Collision of Trolley Cars With a Race Track Special in Chicago.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

CHICAGO, May 30.—Forty people were injured this afternoon in a rear end collision between a Harlem race track special and a Forty-eighth street train on the Lake street elevated road. It is not believed that any of the injured will die, the most serious injuries so far reported being broken limbs. The motorman on the Harlem special lost control of his train as he was nearing the Oakley avenue station, and the motor car with its two trailers crashed into the rear of the Forty-eighth street train, which had stopped at the station platform. Several of the cars were badly splintered, but none of them was thrown from the elevated structure.

FOR THE PHILIPPINES.

Alger Asks Otis to Cable What Reinforcements Are Needed.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, May 30.—Secretary Alger to-night cabled General Otis to advise him at once what further reinforcements he may need after the arrival of all the regular troops to be dispatched to the Philippines to replace the volunteers, whose time is out.

His cablegram calls for a report without delay.

SCHEME OF ARBITRATION.

Combining the Russian, British and American Proposals, Submitted at the Peace Conference.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

LONDON, May 30.—The *Standard's* correspondent at The Hague says:

"An important advance was made to-day in the direction of a scheme of arbitration combining the Russian, British and American proposals. The representatives of these nations arrived at an agreement which seems to find general acceptance. Sir Julian Pauncefote conferred this afternoon (Tuesday) with Seth Low and Mr. Holls and both the British and American proposals were examined, with the result that the United States will support the Pauncefote scheme for a permanent tribunal.

"In all practical and essential features the British and American plans are identical, but the American delegates have gone further, covered the whole field of arbitration and drafted provisions for a rehearing in the event of a disagreement. Their proposals will be submitted to the committee to-morrow (Wednesday).

"It ought not to be difficult," said Mr. Holls, "to hammer out a workable scheme from these three plans."

The *Times'* correspondent at The Hague says:

"A proposal will be submitted at the meeting of the drafting committee of the arbitration committee to-morrow (Wednesday), under which a nation which sees a danger of grave disagreement with another State may apply to some third State, not having an immediate interest in the case, to act on its behalf with a view to mediation. The other party to the dispute may then take a similar course, and the mediating States will investigate, looking to a pacific solution.

"If, despite this, war breaks out, the mediating states shall continue to represent the belligerents, without affecting their rights and duties as neutrals, to bring about the speediest possible cessation of hostilities. Several delegates favor this proposal."

The *Daily News'* correspondent at The Hague says:

"The Americans will submit to-morrow an original scheme of mediation, distinct from arbitration. They refuse assent to compulsion in any category of cases for arbitration or at any stage of the proceedings. Disputes, therefore, can only be referred to the permanent tribunal by the desire of both litigant states. They also hold that to oblige independent states to enter into binding treaties with each other would revolutionize international law and the Monroe Doctrine."

DEWEY AT HONG KONG.

No Date Fixed for Departure for Home. Will Visit Athens to Pay Respects to King George of Greece.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

HONG KONG, May 30.—Since his arrival here on May 3rd, on board his flagship, the United States cruiser Olympia, Admiral Dewey has improved in health, but he still refuses all invitations of a social nature. The admiral has also relinquished all official duty on board the Olympia. The date of his departure for home is still uncertain, his intention being to remain here until he has thoroughly recuperated. The air of the high ground here is much cooler than it will be found at any place between Hong Kong and the Mediterranean sea.

The program for the Olympia's voyage to the United States has not been definitely decided upon. It has been determined, however, to make a stop at the Piraeus, from which port Admiral Dewey will go to Athens to pay his respects to King George, of Greece.

The Olympia is being painted white, over dark slate color which was applied at the breaking out of the late war.

LONDON, May 30.—The plague is likely to complicate the home coming of Admiral Dewey. Various governments have already declared severe quarantine regulations against all Egyptian and Red Sea ports and Hong Kong, where the fresh cases and the number of deaths have nearly doubled in the past week, the new cases numbering 143 and the deaths 134.

Admiralty officials say that warships have no privileges as regards quarantine beyond those of merchant ships, the main point to be considered being whether the ship is infected or there be sickness aboard.

By the time Admiral Dewey arrives at the Mediterranean his ship, the Olympia, having been so long out from Hong Kong, if there are no cases aboard, she will probably be regarded as immune and the inspectors will pass her without delay.

PAYING CUBAN SOLDIERS.

Forty-five Applicants Received Their Money Yesterday—Evidence That the Rolls Are Padded Badly.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

HAVANA, May 30.—Early this morning Colonel George M. Randall, of the Eighth U. S. Infantry, accompanied by Paymaster Moses, his clerk, a doctor and a military escort, with nearly $200,000, left by special train for Santiago de Las Vegas, but, owing to various, various the payment did not beginuntil this afternoon.

That the rolls are padded badly becomes more and more evident each day, and Colonel Randall says that from what he can learn every man, dead or alive, who has served in the ranks of the insurgents, appears on the lists.

The number paid this afternoon was forty-five, but there were several applicants with arms entitled to payment who will receive it after identification.

HEAD-END COLLISION.

Nine People Injured in An Accident On the L. & N. Road Near Nashville.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NASHVILLE, TENN., May 30.—Nine people were injured, two of them seriously, in a head-end collision of local passenger trains on the Louisville and Nashville road, twenty-five miles south of here at 6 o'clock this evening. Both engines and baggage cars were smashed, while Engineers Burns and Shugart received serious internal injuries. Seven passengers were slightly hurt, as follows:

W. H. Pickens, Chicago; J. E. Howard, Thompson Station, Tennessee; W. J. Sewell, Columbia, Tennessee; J. W. Lawrence, Burwood, Tennessee; J. M. Powers, Macon, Ga.; Henry Coles and daughter, Nashville.

The trains came together on the main track half way between West Harpeth and Thompson Station, but who is at fault has not been determined.

Major Marchand arrived at Toulon, France, yesterday aboard the French cruiser D'Assas. The hero of Fashoda was greeted with immense enthusiasm.

CELEBRATION OF DECORATION DAY.

Observed With More Than Usual Elaborate Ceremonies at Many Places.

THE TREND OF ALL SPEECHES

War With Spain Cemented the North and South in a Bond of Fraternal Sympathy—Confederate Graves at Washington Decorated.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

GETTYSBURG, PA., May 30.—Memorial Day was observed at the National cemetery here to day with the usual elaborate ceremonies and the graves of the fallen heroes were decorated by school children, assisted by the veterans of the civil war. The principal speaker was the Hon. D. D. Woodmansee, of Cincinnati. Touching upon the evidences of a re-united country, he said the Union is "indivisible and inseparable, cemented by the blood and sacrifices of our fallen dead. We are a re-united country, ready to battle together for our country's flag."

PHILADELPHIA, May 30.—Memorial day was more elaborately observed in this city than for a number of years. Government and municipal offices were closed, as were the schools, and business was generally suspended. Prominent local orators delivered addresses during the ceremonies by the G. A. R. at the various cemeteries. The trend of all the speeches was that the war with Spain had cemented the North and South in a bond of fraternal sympathy never again to be broken.

Over the grave of Betsey Ross, in whose house the first American flag was made, there were appropriate services, followed by the raising of a large flag by her great-grand-daughter, Mrs. Mary Sydney Garrett. An address was made by John Quincy Adams of New York.

Gen. Wheeler at Boston.

BOSTON, May 30.—For the first time an ex-officer of the Confederacy today delivered the memorial day address before a New England Grand Army Post. General Joseph Wheeler, the cavalry leader, who led the boys in gray at the famous charge at Shiloh, and, nearly thirty-seven year later, beneath the stars and stripes, cheered on the volunteers at Santiago, was the orator and guest of honor at the memorial day services of Kinsley Post 113, G. A. R., at the Boston theatre. The immense auditorium was filled to its utmost capacity.

The singing of the "Battle Hymn of the Republic" by Comrade Myron M. Whitney and a chorus, and the presentation to the audience of its author, Mrs. Julia Ward Howe, called forth a tremendous burst of applause. Rev. John Linsey Withrow offered prayer, and addresses were delivered by Commander I. B. Goodrich, of Post 113, and others.

President Lincoln's address at Gettysburg was read by Comrade Jas. D. Leatherby, and the post chaplain's address was made by Rev. E. A. Horton.

When General Wheeler arose to speak the applause was tumultuous, cheer upon cheer arose from thousands and it was nearly fifteen minutes before the General could make himself heard.

The Day at Washington.

WASHINGTON, May 30.—The National Capital devoted itself to the observance of Decoration Day. The departments were closed, public and private business was suspended, the streets were filled with marching veterans, national guardsmen, military and civic organizations, all moving toward the Arlington National cemetery, Soldiers' Home, Congressional and other cemeteries, where appropriate services were held and the graves of the silent army of dead were strewn with flowers. There was added significance to the ceremony of to-day for the memories of the civil war were added to those of the Spanish-American conflict, which has swelled the list of soldier and sailor dead.

The ceremony at Arlington was notable by the presence of the President and members of his cabinet, and of many leading officers of the army and navy, as well as officials prominent in public life.

There was a small but impressive service in connection with the ceremonies at the cemetery which passed unnoticed by the many thousands there gathered. Following the suggestion made by President McKinley in his Atlanta speech, the graves of the 130 Confederate soldiers, interred in the National cemetery, were decorated with as unsparing hands as were those of the Union dead. In a remote corner, beyond mounds beneath which lie the thousands of Union dead, has been the resting place for thirty years of a few who fought for the South. Some of these Confederate dead were brought into Washington during the various engagements in Virginia near the city, others were taken prisoners and died here, while others from one cause and another came into Washington and died, while the struggle was still raging.

The Maine Remembered.

HAVANA, May 30.—Decoration Day was observed here to-day in a notable manner. At 9 o'clock this morning Estes G. Rathbone and a committee of women who had been selected for the purpose were taken in Rear Admiral Cromwell's launch, escorted by a detachment of marines, to the wreck of the battleship Maine where they strewed the skeleton of the unfortunate craft with ropes of laurel and wreaths of flowers.

Mrs. Lucin Young represented the navy at the decoration of the graves of the soldiers and soldiers interred in the Colon cemetery at 11 o'clock. Mrs. Patterson and a committee representing the Maine Association participated in the ceremonies. A great many flowers and wreaths were placed on the graves of the heroes.

Similar exercises will take place at the Quemados cemetery at four o'clock this afternoon.

YELLOW FEVER IN NEW ORLEANS.

One Case Reported by the State Board of Health of Louisiana.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

JACKSON, MISS., May 30.—Advice having been received from President Souchon, of the Louisiana State Board of Health, that one case of yellow fever had appeared in New Orleans, Dr. J. F. Hunter, secretary of the Mississippi board, sent inspector Grant to New Orleans this afternoon with instructions to make a thorough inspection of the city. He will be joined there by Inspector Dunn tomorrow. Unless the situation becomes very serious, which is highly improbable, the Mississippi board will not declare a quarantine against New Orleans. Public sentiment is decidedly opposed to such a step and the news of the first case of this season produces no excitement.

THE PHILIPPINE SITUATION.

President McKinley Does Not Credit the Alarming Reports—Otis Does Not Need More Troops.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, May 30.—The *Post* to-morrow will say:

General Otis has informed the War Department that he will be satisfied if the army under his command is kept at a maximum of 30,000. The President will give him this number.

The situation in the Philippines was the subject of an extended conference to day between the President and Adjutant General Corbin. In view of the more or less alarming reports which have been sent to the United States from Manila, it is important to know that the President does not share in the anxiety which these dispatches have naturally created. General Otis has kept in close touch with the authorities here, and if he was in the tight position which the press reports seem to indicate, it is felt that he would not hesitate about making his dilemma known. On the contrary, the advices received from him show that he is not in need of a largely increased army. It can be stated on authority that until General Otis asks for an additional force, there will be no enlargement of the army.

STORMS IN VIRGINIA.

Houses Unroofed—A Warehouse Demolished and Barns Blown Down—A Farmer Killed by Lightning.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

RICHMOND., VA., May 30.—Reports are coming in to-night of severe storms last night at Piedmont, Va., and in the Valley. In Albemarle county several barns were blown down and trees uprooted, with the result of rendering the roads impassible in places. At Basic City several houses were unroofed and a warehouse was demolished near Woodstock. In Shenandoah county great damage was done to telegraph lines, and a farmer was killed by lightning In Augusta county the electrical disturbance put the county telephone system out of service for several hours,

RAILROADS IN CHINA.

Report of a Civil Engineer Returning from the Orient.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 30.—W. B. Parsons, a civil engineer of New York, has arrived here from the Orient. He was sent to China by the Brice syndicate, which holds a concession for the construction and operation of a railroad to connect Hankow and Canton. He took with him a staff of engineers and surveyors and is now on his way to New York to report to the syndicate that he has completed the survey and that he favors the completion of the proposed work. "When this road is built," said Mr. Parsons, "and the Belgians construct the road for which they have a concession, the heart of the Chinese Empire will be in close touch with Europe."

AT GRANT'S TOMB.

Impressive Ceremonies Witnessed by More Than 10,000 People.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, May 30.—The sarcophagus of General Grant in the tomb at Claremont was covered with flowers this afternoon after impressive ceremonies by U. S. Grant Post, G. A. R., of Brooklyn, an address by Governor Roosevelt and a presidential salute or twenty-one guns, fired from the United States cruiser Brooklyn, which lay in the Hudson just below the hill with all her battleflags flying.

More than 10,000 persons witnessed the ceremony. A large stand had been erected on the east side of the tomb, covered with red, white and blue bunting and a flag draped over the railing. Above the stand on the columns of the side of the tomb were festoons of large flags. Here the ceremony was conducted.

THE REINA MERCEDES.

Board of Naval Bureau Chiefs Don't Know What to Do With Her.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, May 30.—The members of the Board of Naval Bureau Chiefs, who will be called on to decide as to the nature of the repairs and changes to be made upon The captured Spanish cruiser Reina Mercedes, now at the Norfolk navy yard, are somewhat divided in opinion, and it may be that the cruiser will be tied up at the dock at Norfolk, and left there to await the pleasure of Congress at the next session. The Mercedes does not represent the latest ideas in naval construction. A conservative estimate places the cost of refitting the Mercedes, so as to entitle her to a place on the naval lists, at about $250,000, which will be about 25 per cent. of her value.

MISSING CASHIER.

John A. Benedict, of the Exchange Bank of Athens, Georgia.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

ATHENS, GA., May 30.—John A. Benedict, cashier of the Exchange Bank, and owner of the Athens Roll Cover Company, has been missing since last Tuesday. He went to Greenville, S. C., on business connected with the Roll Cover concern, and on Tuesday morning left a hotel there to visit cotton mills at Spartanburg. His accounts at the bank have been found absolutely correct by experts. No reason can be assigned by family or friends, who fear he has met with an accident or foul play.

BASE BALL BULLETIN.

Scores of the Games Played by the Clubs Yesterday.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, May 30.—Cleveland, 8; Boston, 7.

Louisville, 1; Brooklyn, 5.

Cincinnati, 9; New York, 3.

Chicago, 14; Philadelphia, 2.

St. Louis, 7; Baltimore, 3.

Washington, 3; Pittsburg, 4.

AFTERNOON GAMES.

Boston, 3; Cleveland, 6.

Louisville, 3; Brooklyn, 4.

Cincinnati, 5; New York, 7.

Washington, 4; Pittsburg, 5.

Chicago, 9; Philadelphia, 3.

St. Louis, 4; Baltimore, 6.

The Queen Regent of Spain has signed a decree appointing Marshal Martinez Campos to the presidency of the Senate.

COURT OF CASSATION.

Sensational Declaration in Favor of Dreyfus, With Request for a Re-trial by Court Martial.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

PARIS, May 30.—A sensational declaration by M. De Beaupre, who read a report in favor of Dreyfus, indirectly ascribing the authorship of the famous bordereau to Count Esterhazy, together with a concluding request for a revision of the verdict of condemnation and a re-trial of Dreyfus by court martial, were the features of to-day's session of the Court of Cassation. Popular interest in the hearing had waned, but the accusation against Esterhazy astounded particularly the League of Patriots, and Maurice Borres, a deputy, shouted: "It is the collapse of our charges."

The Anti-Semites generally bitterly denounce De Beaupre, saying he has sold himself. De Beaupre declared, on his soul and conscience, according to his convictions, that the bordereau was written by Esterhazy, and concluded dramatically, amid applause, as follows:

"I do not ask you to proclaim the innocence of Dreyfus, but it is with a firm conviction and a lively sense of my duty and responsibility that I say there is no reason to grant revision of the trial of 1894 and send Dreyfus for re-trial before another court martial, whose task will be to give a decision with a full knowledge of the facts. My report is ended."

GEORGIA RICE PLANTERS.

Syndicate Formed to Build a Levee Along the Savannah River.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

SAVANNAH, GA., May 30.—The rice planters owning plantations on the South Carolina side of the Savannah river will meet here to-morrow to form a syndicate of $1,000,000, including a $400,000 bonded indebtedness. It is the purpose of the syndicate to construct a great levee of twenty miles or more along the river for the protection of crops from storms and freshets. This means a great increase in rice production. A Boston syndicate is ready to finance the scheme, taking bonds secured by mortgages on the plantations.

SPECIAL TERM OF COURT.

To Try a White Man for Attempted Assault Upon a School Girl.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

AMERICUS, GA., May 30.—Judge Littlejohn granted an order this afternoon convening Dooley County Superior Court in special session next Monday to try John Hannaway, a white man, for attempted assault upon a school girl near Vienna yesterday.

The order was granted at the urgent request of prominent citizens of Dooley county, who came here to-day and by their efforts saved Hannaway from lynching at the hands of outraged citizens of Dooley county.

WARM WIRELETS.

A New York dispatch says Captain McCluskey said to-day that he had learned nothing new about the kidnapped child, Marion Clark, or the nurse, Carrie Jones.

The Winter wheat crop of Southern Russia has been completely destroyed by a protracted drought. The Spring wheat crop is also in jeopardy from the same cause.

Hon. G. L. Ross, former mayor of Knoxville, Tenn., dropped dead of apoplexy. He was vice president of the Mechanics' National Bank and president of the Chamber of Commerce of Knoxville.

The Association of Surgeons of the Southern Railway closed its annual session in Richmond, Va. It was decided that the association should meet next year on May 11th and 12th at Charleston, S. C.

Queen Victoria has decided to undergo an operation for cataract when Professor Hermane Pagenstecher, director of the Opthalmic Hospital at Wiesbaned, thinks the proper time has arrived.

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